WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY LIBRARY
3 0399 0819247 C

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY
THE Z. SMITH REYNOLDS LIBRARY

CALL NO.

[redacted]
1971-1975

NOT TO BE CIRCULATED

BX
6349
A4
N6
S86
1971-1975

B
206.975
M66

MINUTES

OF THE

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

HAYMEADOW CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 24, 1971

PINE VIEW CHURCH

NIGHT SESSION, SEPTEMBER 24, 1971

AND

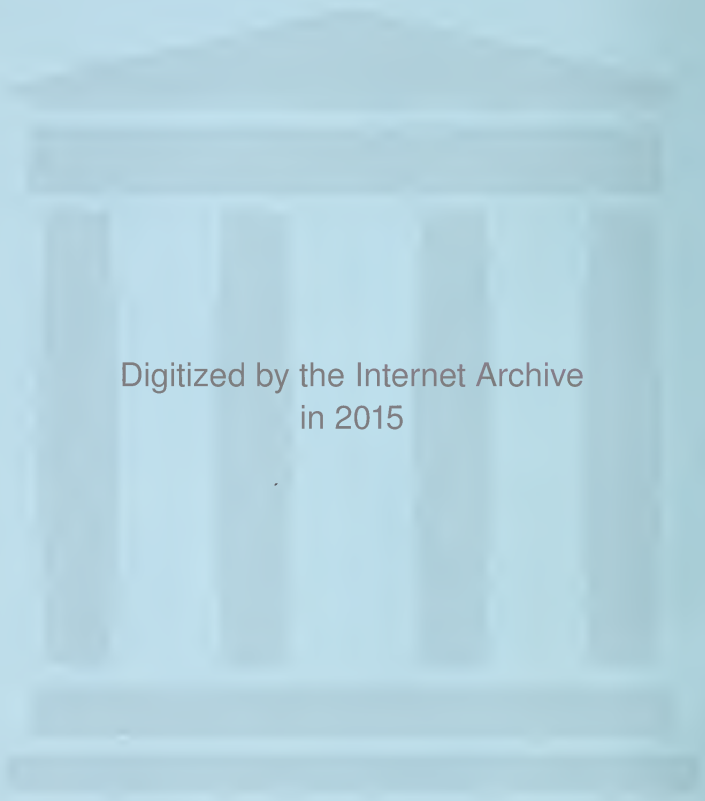
BENHAM CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 25, 1971

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

THEME

WORLD MISSIONS BEGIN AT HOME.



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2015

https://archive.org/details/minutesofannuals01ston_19

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONE MOUNTAIN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WILL BE HELD WITH

Baptist Home Church, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rt. 1
Friday, September 22, 1972, 10:00 A.M.

Mountain View Church, Hays, N. C.
Friday Night, September 22, 1972, 7:30 P.M.

Dehart Church, McGrady, N. C.
Saturday, September 23, 1972, 10:00 A.M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page No.
Associational Directory	4, 5
List of Messengers	6
Associational Budget 1971-72	7
Constitution	7, 8, 9, 10
Rules of Order	10
Articles of Faith	11
Proceedings	11, 12, 13
Moderator's Report	13
Clerk's Report	13
Treasurer's Report	14
Superintendent of Missions Report	14, 15
Sunday School Report	15
Report on Vacation Bible Schools	15
Training Union Report	16
Woman's Missionary Union	16
Report on Evangelism for 1971	17
Report of the Committee on Nominations	17, 18

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Baptist Children's Homes of N. C. 18

Baptist Hospital Report 19

North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging 19, 20

Temperance Report 20

Pastor Church Relationship 21

Report on Christian Education 21, 22

The Co-operative Program 22, 23

Missions Report 23, 24

Periodicals Report 24

Annuity Board Report 24, 25

N. C. Baptist Foundation 25

In Memoriam 26. 27

Time and Place for Sunday School Convention 26

Report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher 26

Report of the Resolutions Committee 26

Ordained Ministers Who Are Not Pastors in the Association 27

Ministers Ordained During This Year 27

Ministers Licensed During This Year 27

New Pastors 27

Our Beloved Dead 28

Calendar for The Stone Mountain Association 1971-72 .... 29, 30, 31, 32

Statistical Tables 33-41

Map 42

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY
LIBRARY

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY 1971-72

Moderator	Rev. Glenn Huffman, Rt. 1, Wilbar 28696
Vice-Moderator	Rev. Joel Johnson, 335 Collins Rd., Elkin 28621
Clerk	S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Treasurer	Rev. Bill Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Chairman of Evangelism	Rev. Homer F. Greene, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Superintendent of Missions	Rev. Amos Lyon, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621

Heads of the Organizations

Minister's Conference	Rev. Joel Johnson, 335 Collins Rd., Elkin 28621
Sunday School	Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Church Training	Floyd Coffey, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Music	Rev. B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635
W.M.U.	Mrs. Bill Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Librarian	Mrs. Ralph Huff, 310, South St., Elkin 28621
Brotherhood	Denver Holcomb, Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683
General Board	Burr Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is made up of the General Officers, Heads of the Organizations, all Pastors, and one member from each church.

Nominating Committee

Rev. Joel Johnson. Chairman	335 Collins Rd., Elkin 28621
Rev. G. B. Crabb	Traphill, Rt. 1 28685
Ralph Collins	State Road, Rt. 1 28676

Committee On Arrangements

Odell Whittington	Wilbar 28696
Rev. David Cockerham	Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Gradon Foster	Rt. 1, Wilbar 28696
Dewey Nicklson	Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683

Time, Place and Preacher Committee

Rev. Larry Beaver	Hays, Rt. 1 28653
Rev. Amos Combs	Millers Creek, Rt. 1 28651
V. D. Woodruff	Hays 28635

Committee On Resolutions

Rev. John West	Wilkesboro 28697
Bramlett Carter	State Road 28676
Rev. Major Caudill	Rt. 1, McGrady 28649

Program Committee for 1972

Rev. Homer F. Greene	Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Claude Settle	Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Bill L. Pruitt	Box 84, Hays 28635
Rev. Horace Hall	Rt. 5, Box 641-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Hospital Representative

Claude Settle — Rt. 2, Elkin 28621

Homes for the Aging Representative

Odell Whittington — Wilbar 28696

Children's Home Representative

Rev. Julius Blevins — Rt. 2, Box 244,AI, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Associational Sunday School Officers for 1971-72

Director	Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Teaching Improvement Director	Rev. B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635
Outreach Director	V. D. Woodruff, Hays 28635
V.B.S. Director	Larry Beaver, Rt. 1, Hays 28635
Extension Activities Director	George Elledge, Rt. 1, N. Wilkes 28659
Preschool Director	Mrs. Eldon Gentry, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669
Children's Director	Mrs. C. C. Blevins. Legion Dr., N. Wilkes. 28659
Youth Director	Mrs. Henry Bryant Jr., State Road 28676
Adult Director	Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Group Directors, Group 1	Clyde Sloop, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Group 2	Rev. Lester Johnson, Hays, Rt. 1 28635
Group 3	Rev. G. B. Crabbe, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685
Records Assistant	Mr. C. C. Blevins, Legion Dr., N. Wilkes. 28659

Associational Church Training Officers

Director	Floyd Coffey, Rt. 5, Box 571, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Associate Director	Jerry Kilby, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651
Secretary	Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Legion Drive, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Chorister	Rev. B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635
Pianist	Mrs. David Rozelle, Hays 28635
Pastor Advisor	Rev. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Attendance Leader	Mrs. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, N. Wilkes. 28659
Adult Director	S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Youth Director	Rev. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Children's Director	Mrs. B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635
Preschool Director	Mrs. Eldon Gentry, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669

Associational W.M.U. Officers

W.M.U. Director	Mrs. Mary Pruitt, Hays 28635 Phone 957-2193
W.M.U. Assistant Director	Mrs. Willye Dancy, Hays 28635 Phone 696-2431
Baptist Women Director	
Baptist Young Women Director	
Acteenes Director	Mrs. Sybil Brown, Rt. 1, Box 416, N. Wilkes 28659 Phone 670-2273
Girls In Action Director	Mrs. Mable Gentry, Rt. 1, R. Riv. 28669 Phone 957-2252
Missions Friends Director	Mrs. Nona Blevins, Legion Drive, North Wilkesboro 28659 Phone 838-3376

Associational Ministers Conference

President	Rev. Joel Johnson, 335 Collins Rd., Elkin 28621
Vice-President	Rev. Ted Combs, Rt. 2, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Secretary	Rev. Bill Pruitt, Box 84. Hays 28635
Social Director	Rev. B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635
Program Committee	Rev. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
	Rev. John West, 616 S. Corporation. North Wilkesboro 28659
	Rev. Larry Beaver, Rt. 1, Hays 28635

LIST OF MESSENGERS

BAPTIST HOME: Mrs. Clara Caudill, Mrs. Letha Barlow, Jim Kilby, Wade Barlow.

BENHAM: Mrs. Claude Settle, Claude Settle, Otis Byrd.

CENTER: Jimmy Minton, Mrs. Linda Minton, George Elledge, Gwyn Gambill.

DEHART: Mrs. Rachel Rhoades, Mrs. Maxine Shumate, Mr. Tom Teague, Cleo Shumate, Mrs. Opal Shumate, Mrs. Vesta Porter.

ELK SPUR: Buddy Caudill, Roscoe Royall, Quincy Royall.

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. Bessie Dancy, Mrs. Ruth R. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Marlowe, Mrs. C. C. Gambill.

HAYMEADOW: Johnny Myers, Arthur Harrold, Jim Rhoades.

KNOBBS: C. S. Lyon, J. Albert Spicer, Jerry Swaim, Michael Bowers, David Adams, Ronnie Cheek.

MAPLE GROVE: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Mrs. Dora Childress.

MOUNT PISGAH: L. G. Billings, Benny Wiles, Harvey Wiles, Z. W. Wiles, David Miller, Jim Miles.

MOUNT ZION: Lawrence Byrd, Albert Byrd, John Shepherd.

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Mrs. Bobbie Reavis, Ancil Faw, Doug Souther.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Vernon Woodruff. Mrs. Mary Jane Pendry, Mrs. Celia Ashlan.

NEW LIGHT: Clifton Prevette, Fred Dowell, Dewitt Blackburn, Aldean Jolly.

OAK RIDGE: Willie Roope, Ivory Privette, Sherril Bryant.

PINE VIEW: Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Mrs. Evelyn Rhoades, Mrs. Helen West.

PLEASANT RIDGE: B. W. Carter, Mrs. Omie Carter, Sam Spicer.

PLEASANT VIEW: Rev. E. D. Burchette, Harvey Hanes, Mrs. Esther Cockerham, Mrs. Edna Hanes, Mrs. Cary Burchette, Barney Crabb.

ROARING GAP: Roy Baker, Richard Blackburn, Ralph Collins. Raymond DeJournette, Howard Harris, J. D. Nickolson.

ROCK SPRINGS: Barney Shumate, Jettie Shumate, Dessie Taylor, Comey Taylor, Minnie Woodie, A. V. Hall.

STONY RIDGE: Maynard Billings, Ford Cothren, Jerry Brooks, Guy Blevins, R. J. Holloway, Jim Cothren.

TRAPHILL: Lawrence Holbrook, Henry Blevins, Mac Warren, Mrs. Mac Warren, Fred Brown, Mrs. R. C. Pruitt.

UNION: Mrs. Jesse South, Mrs. Conrad Coffey, Mrs. Woodrow Palmer, Mrs. Tom Bumgarner.

WALNUT COVE: R. J. Johnson, Ervin Pruitt, Mrs. Sue Pruitt.

ASSOCIATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1971-72

Superintendent of Missions, Salary	$3,600.00
Superintendent of Missions, Expense	780.00
Annuity Board (Retirement)	400.00
Convention Expenses	125.00
(Baptist State Convention and Evangelistic Conference)	
Cost of Minutes (Estimated)	400.00
Associational Sunday School Department	75.00
Associational Training Union Department	50.00
Associational W M U Department	50.00
Associational Brotherhood Department	15.00
Associational Music Department	15.00
Minister's Conference	25.00
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Supplies	40.00
Evangelism	100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Total	$5,825.00
Amount Expected from Churches	$4,825.00
Amount Expected from State Convention	1,000.00
$	
Total	$5,825.00

Respectfully Submitted
The Budget Committee

THE CONSTITUTION FOR STONE MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article I—NAME

This association shall be known as The Stone Mountain Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of the officers of the Association, Pastors of the churches affiliated therewith, ordained ministers, and Messengers from the churches that have been received into the fellowship of the Association, and that continue Baptist in faith and practice, and that cooperate with the association, and support the agencies of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Amendment—Each church with a resident membership of two hundred or less shall be entitled to three elected messengers, and those having more than two hundred resident members shall have an elected messenger for each hundred or major fraction thereof beyond the first two hundred resident members, but not exceed a total of ten elected messngers.

Section 2. All visiting Brethren shall be seated and given the privilege of discussion, but will not be allowed to vote.

Section 3. Newly constituted churches shall become members of this association upon their adoption of this Constitution and two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 4. The Association may at any time dissolve connection with any church that becomes herterdox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter

for two consecutive sessions without sufficient reason, or that ceases to be missionary in practice. The support of the causes fostered by the denomination at large and of this Association in particular shall be the test of each Church as a missionary body.

Article III—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to devise and promote measures for increasing the harmony and spiritual power of the Churches within our bounds, and to promote and develop their eneggies in advancing God's Kingdom throughout the earth in compliance with the teachings of the New Testament and in cooperation with the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Article IV—ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS AND MEETINGS

Section 1. The Churches shall report annually not only the statistical information for any facts concerning their general welfare. The clerk shall furnish each church with printed forms for their annual report at least six weeks before the annual meeting of the Association, and the Churches are requested to have these reports returned to the clerk at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place or places as may be agreed upon.

Section 3. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article V—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Officers of the body shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer. Associational Missionary, and the heads of the organizations as set forth; 1. Sunday School; 2. Training Union; 3. Woman's Missionary Union; 4. Brotherhood; 5. Music; 6. Ministers' Conference.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at Meetings of business; to keep order during each session, to decide questions of order and to perform other duties pertaining to the office. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator shall perform these duties.

Section 3. The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and they shall be fraternal visitors to the Churches throughout the year.

Section 4. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body, furnish the churches with blank letter forms, supervise the printing of the minutes, and distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association, and shall disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purpose for which the funds were contributed. He shall render an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements to the budget committee upon request, and to the Association at its annual meeting.

Article VI—COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committees of the Association shall be:

(a) Executive; (b) Program; (3) Arrangements; (d) Nominating; (e) Time, Place, Preacher; (f) Resolutions; (g) Budget.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee and its chairman shall consist of three members, and shall be appointed by the Moderator at the beginning of the first session of the Association. This committee shall, as soon as possible, meet and assign the members of the various committees, and name the standing committees and their chairmen. Also, it shall name any other committee assigned to it.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association as set forth in Article V, Section 1. Also the pastor and one member of each Church. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall be stated officers of the committee.

Section 4. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five brethren, besides the Moderator and Clerk. It shall be the duty of this committee to make all plans for each annual meeting of the Association; to consider all letters of grievances or queries, together with letters from corresponding associations or our State Baptist Board requiring any attention thereon, and to report same back to the Association. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise Lordship over God's heritage but shall be considered as an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

Section 5. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare the order of business for their annual meetings. Printed copies of the suggested order or business shall be distributed to those attending the opening sessions of the Association. The Chairman shall be designated by the Nominating Committee. Time shall be allotted for reports on the following subjects: Missions; Education; Orphanage; Temperance; Sunday Schools; Periodicals; Minister's Retirement; Home for the Aging; Pastoral and Church Relations; Training Union; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood; Evangelism; Music; Time, Place and Preacher; and any other reports the Association deems necessary. The Program Committee will assign and contact all persons that are to give reports at the Annual Associational Meeting, not later than June 1.

Section 6. The Associational Missionary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee at any annual session of the Association or any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. His/Her election shall be by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers or members present. He/She shall serve until the relationship is terminated by mutual consent.

He/She shall have the same relationship to the organizations of the Association as a pastor has to the organizations of the church.

He/She shall lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Executive Committee.

He/She shall promote the whole program of the Association, the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

He/She shall act as an ex-officio member of the Committees of the Association as listed in Article VI, Section 1.

His/Her work shall be under the direction of the Association and Executive Committee.

He/She shall have administrative supervision of such work as may be assigned him/her by the Association.

Section 7. The officers of the Associational Sunday School, the Associational Training Union, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union, the Associational Brotherhood, and the Associational Music

Department shall be elected by their respective organizations at the last meeting in the Associational year by their own methods. The list of officers will be furnished the Nominating Committee, who shall present them to the Association for approval at the time of the election of the officers of the Association. Those persons elected for officers in these organizations will serve in cooperation with the officers already serving until they are approved by the Association, at which time they shall assume full responsibility of office. All persons nominated for office in the Association will be contacted, personally, prior to the election of officers.

Section 8. The officers shall assume their duties at the close of the Associational meeting at which they are elected and shall serve until the close of the next annual session, with the exception of the Clerk. The Clerk shall assume his duties at the beginning of the session at which he is elected and shall serve until his successor is elected at the next annual session.

Section 9. The Budget Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. The Moderator shall serve as Chairman. This committee shall meet before the annual meetings of the Association and prepare a budget to cover all anticipated needs of the Association for the next Associational year. The committee will cause the budget to be printed and distributed to the members at the annual meeting. The committee will suggest a pro rata share of the budget for each church affiliated with the association for their consideration and approval.

Article VII—MINISTERS

Each Church having ordained or licensed ministers shall report the same to the Association in order that their names may be compiled in the minutes.

Article VIII—CHANGE

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed change be read to the Association during the first day of the annual meeting — the churches having previously been notified.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and only one member shall speak at a time.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject and shall use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. No member shall speak more than twice upon one subject except by permission of the body.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association, nor whisper in time of public speech.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation than that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the clerk as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled, and he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any person who shall willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1st. We believe in only one true and living God; Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd We beliebe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted and regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subject of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode is by immersion.

7th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

8th. We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS

The Stone Mountain Baptist Association held its 75th Annual Session September 24 and 25 at Haymeadow, Pine View and Benham Churches. These Sessions were well attended and much interest shown.

The Friday Session at Haymeadow was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Glenn Huffman, Pastor of Union Church. Call to Worship was observed by singing a congregational hymn, directed by Rev. B. C. Owenby, Pastor of Mountain View Church. Rev. Amos Combs, Pastor of the host church, offered prayer and welcomed all attending.

Rev. B. C. Owenby was in charge of the devotional period. He spoke on the theme "World Missions Begin at Home;" — "Salvation of God Available to All People Through Christ." He closed the message with prayer.

Roll of the Churches was called. Messengers seated and visitors

welcomed, recognition of pastors followed. There being 17 present, of which three were new to the Association. Eleven visitors were also recognized representing various phases of Baptists of the State Convention.

A letter from New Light Church #2 in the Vannoy Community was read by the Clerk, which was a statement that said church had voted to withdraw from the Association. On motion, the withdrawal was granted.

In the case of Piney Ridge Church, it was noted that this Church had failed to send letters and messengers to the Association for three years. It was ordered that the Association withdraw fellowship from said Piney Ridge Church and church dropped from our roll.

At this time a delegation, led by Rev. Burr Holcomb, from Welcome Home Church in the Traphill Community came forward with a petition requesting membership in the Association. They were accepted for the probationary period of one year under the watchcare of the Association.

Reports were heard from North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Periodicals and Annuity Board. Presenting these were C. M. Royall, C. C. Blevins and Rev. John West. Speaking to the reports were C. Gordon Maddrey, Woodrow Hill and Robert Bruhn.

The Annual message was brought by Rev. Homer Greene, Pastor of Pleasant Ridge Church. "The Sound of the Gospel" was his subject, which was ably presented. He closed with prayer, then offered thanks for the bountiful meal served by the host church.

The afternoon Session opened with the congregation singing "Work For The Night Is Coming." Devotional was again under the able direction of Rev. Owenby speaking on the Remission of Sins. Rev. M. L. Blevins closed the period with prayer.

Reports were made on Childrens Homes, N. C. Baptist Hospital and Homes for the Aging. Presenting these were Rev. Julius Blevins, Claud Settle and Odell Whittington. Speaking to the reports were Jim Lamb, Dr. W. K. McGee and W. A. Poole. Dr. McGee conducted a series of questions and answers concerning the Baptist Hospital, which was very interesting.

At this time "The Book of Reports" containing the reports of the Associational Officers, Nominating and Budget Committees was presented for adoption on motion of Rev. Homer Greene. Said book was adopted and officers declared elected. This brought the Friday's Session to a close. Mr. W. A. Poole spoke the Benediction.

Friday night Session was at Pine View Church. Opening was observed by singing a hymn after which Rev. John West, Pastor, offered prayer, also conducting the Devotional from Romans 9.

Reports were on Christian Education, Cooperative Program and Missions. Presenting these were Mrs. Margie Blevins, Rev. Bill Pruitt and Mrs. Mary Pruitt. Speaking for Wake Forest College was James Smith. Our Superintendent of Missions, Rev. Amos Lyon, showed a film on the State Convention. Rev. Larry Beaver, Pastor of Maple Grove Church, spoke the Benediction.

The Session held Saturday at Benham Church opened with the gregation singing 'Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." The Pastor, Rev. Joel Johnson, welcomed those attending and offered prayer.

The Devotional period was conducted by Rev. Homer Greene.

Reports were heard on Temperance and Pastor and Church Rela-

tionship; Rev. Major Caudill reporting on Temperance and Clifton Prevette on Pastor and Church. Robert Lamb spoke for Gardner Webb College.

It was ordered that the last sentence of Section One in Article 5 be deleted from the Constitution.

Remarks were heard from the Moderator, Clerk, Superintendent of Missions and others.

Rev. M. L. Blevins gave a deep and touching memorial report.

The Moderator, Vice Moderator, and Clerk were designated to serve as the Missions Committee at this time.. Reports were heard from Time, Place and Preacher Committee followed by Resolutions.

Closing message brought by Rev. Amos Combs, Pastor of Haymeadow Church, was on the subject "Are You Weary With The Footmen?" He closed with prayer and thanks for the delicious lunch waiting to be served. Adjournment followed.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation and support during the past year.

I have had the opportunity to visit four of the Churches this year and have fellowship with them.

We had several Associational Meetings which has been fairly well attended.

The fellowship has been wonderful and a fine Spirit of which I am grateful.

It is my hope that each Church will witness a greater growth in the next year and many lost people will be won, more than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Huffman

CLERK'S REPORT

We received Letters from twenty-five churches. Two did not represent. Messengers were duly received and seated.

Data for the Minutes was prepared and delivered to Printer's in October. These were printed and sent to the churches by the last of December. Copies were mailed to all Departments, Institutions, and individuals on our mailing list soon after the Year's end.

The Moderator, Associational Missionary and I visited New Light #2 the fourth Sunday in July.

Again, may I thank you for the many considerations shown me while serving as Clerk of the Association; and I assure you it has been a privilege to serve.

Respectfully submitted,
S. B. Absher, Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT
1970-71

BEGINNING BALANCE — 1969-1970	$.. 724.58
RECEIPTS: 1970-1971	
Total received from churches	$3,513.00
Total received from State Convention	1,032.00
Total received from churches for minutes	398.50
Total received from individuals (others)	10.00
Total Youth Night Offering	55.05
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$5,008.55
TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING BALANCE	$5,733.13
DISBURSEMENTS — 1970-1971	
Missionary's Salary	$3,600.00
Missionary's Expenses	660.00
Missionary's Retirement	400.08
Convention Expenses	125.00
Minutes	379.81
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Expenses	6.98
Training Union Department (Youth Night)	125.00
Training Union Department (Youth Night)	125.00
Sunday School Department (Vacation Bible School)	26.35
WMU Department (Annual Meeting)	25.00
Evangelism Department Conference)	20.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$5,468.23
BALANCE IN TREASURY — September 15, 1971	$ 264.90

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Pruitt, Treasurer

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS REPORT

I have found great joy in the work of missions in the association this year. This has been a very cooperative year with the people of the association. I thank you for this, and also for the invitations into your churches.

This past year I have visited all the churches in the association, with a total of 119 visits. Attended 24 associational meetings, attended 16 meetings State and Regional. Spoke 35 times in churches in the association.; Attended two Superintendent of Missions Conferences (had part on program in one meeting.) Showed six filmstrips, arranged speakers for six associational meetings. Printed and mailed 6,000 Newsletters. Made programs for Annual Meetings, "M" Night, Youth Night, Launch Night, Out Reach Meeting, Readiness Conference, Vacation Bible School Clinic, wrote many letters, met with 136 Indidid-ual Groups and Committees, planned and worked with 20 Vacation Bible Schools, held one pre-clinic, two regular associational clinics in connection with Vacation Bible School. Traveled approximately 9,333 miles, also began plans for a World Mission Conference in 1973.

I am thankful to our Lord for health and strength to have been able to work with you this year. I feel somewhat like Paul in Philippians 3: 13-14, (Brethren I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do. Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth onto those things which are before, I press forward to the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ.)

Let everyone in the Stone Mountain Association reach forth in the coming year. There is much to reach for in Christ Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,
Amos Lyon
Superintendent of Missions

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT 1970-1972

Attended Three Meetings Outside Stone Mountain Association

1. Ridgecrest Sunday School Briefing Meeting.
2. Lenoir Sunday School Readiness Conference.
   A. Well attended from our association with one person being represented from each Sunday School Department.
3. Thomasville Children's Home.
   A. Was served evening meal.
   B. Program was presented by children of the Home and the Administration concerning work of the Home.

Associational Meetings Attended

1. Maple Grove Planning Meeting.
2. Planning meeting at my home for the Sunday School Readiness Conference.
3. Roaring Gap Sunday School Readiness Conference.
4. Maple Grove Sunday School Outreach Meeting.
   A. Purchased books for all Sunday School Superintendents in our association
5. Mountain View Launch Nite.

Associational Visitation

1. Visited all churches in the Association resulting in approximately 31 visits.
2. Traveled approximately nine hundred, seventy-four miles.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Pardue
Sunday School Director

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT OF THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

As we began our work in associational V. B. S. for 1971, it was our goal that every church in the association have a school. Out of 25 churches we are happy to report 20 churches had schools with a total enrollment of 1,872.

We feel that more effort put forward this year in V. B. S. resulted in more people reached and larger and more efficient schools. Our Bible schools resulted in 13 professions of faith and a number of reconsecrations.

When we stop to think about the number of lives that have been molded and the souls that have been saved this year, surely, we must decide to give V. B. S. more emphasis and concern in our churches and association for 1972.

Let us remember that more Bible teaching is done in two weeks of V. B. S. than in an entire year in Sunday School. We must also take notice of the fact that more people are won to Christ through V. B. S. in the Southern Baptist Convention than in all rival efforts.

Therefore, let us begin now to pray and labor for V. B. S., 1972.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley A. Frye

TRAINING UNION REPORT

As we come to the close of another year, it is hard to sum up a report and show how much gain has been accomplished. There has been some progress in the Individuals which makes the church stronger. We had an average attendance for our "M" Night program. Our Youth Night was held at Fairplains Church with the Youth from different churches composing a youth choir, which was very inspiring, with the Rev. Bill Baird from Greensboro, N. C. as the speaker. With a mess for the youth of today. There were 147 present for the meeting.

With the upgrading of our training material we are hoping for better shaping of Training Programs in our churches.

Our Associational Christian Training Officers stand ready at all times to assist churches in any way that can help them improve their work.

Respectfully submitted,
Floyd Coffey, Director of
Assoc. Christian Training

W M U REPORT — 1971-1972

The role of the Association is to assist churches in their work of bringing men to God through Jesus Christ. The assistance is aimed at meeting needs both within the fellowship of a church and in community which it serves. The association does its work by conducting programs which assist churches. A program is one or more basic continuing activities (tasks) of primary importance in moving toward the associational objective. The associational WMU program is one of several programs in the association. Each associational program provides continuing opportunities for churches to accomplish cooperatively their divinely established purposes.

The WMU program in a church performs four tasks: (1) Teach Missions; (2) Engage in mission action; (3) Support world missions through praying and giving; (4) Provide and interpret information regarding the work of the church and denomination. All of the work conducted by the associational Woman's Missionary Union is that which assists the church WMUs in doing their basic work.

The associational WMU program assists churches in two ways: First, it helps in establishing, conducting, enlarging, and improving the WMU program in the churches of the association. Second, it helps church Woman's Missionary Unions by representing them in doing work which could not be done as effectively by each church working alone.

The needs of church Woman's Missionary Unions determine the kind of WMU program to be conducted by the association. Needs among churches differ; however, the nature and work of the church WMU makes certain needs common to most churches. Needs which can be met through an associational program include fellowship, inspiration, and motivation. service, leader training, information, communication and cooperative work.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mary Pruitt,
Associational WMU Director

REPORT ON EVANGELISM — 1971

Our conference on Evangelism was held with the Benham Baptist Church on Thursday, June 24th at 7:30 P.M. The Rev. Jimmy Hinson, Associate in the Division of Evangelism was our guest preacher. He informed us of the WIN materials now available to all churches from the Department of Evangelism. The word WIN means: "Witness Involvement Now." We had 19 people present with the majority of these being Lay people. There were three Pastors out of some 20 Pastors in our Association. This points up the need, more than ever, for the use of such materials by the leadership of our association. We recommend that the association approve the scheduling and conducting of **Lay Witness Institutes** by those churches who will vote to have such Institutes within the next nine to 12 months.

Our Evangelism Director recommends that his department, and the churches interested in and committed to such Institutes have this much time for proper preparation. Securing personnel, etc. for the **Lay Witness School.**

You are reminded of the **Regional Evangelism Conferences** for Baptist and Methodist Men scheduled next month in various places across our state. The closest one to us will be held at the First Baptist Church, Hickory on Friday, October 22, 1971 from 7:30-9:00 PM. Outstanding Laymen from churches across our state will be the speakers. Let's have a good attendance from the Stone Mountain Association. It is my hope that your church is ready to launch an intensive year of preparation for Evangelism. Our churches ought to have a sense of Creativity, Zeal, and Expectancy about this year in Evangelism. A sense that God is going to do something NEW, FRESH, and EXCITING for us as we follow His Will "That all should come to repentance, and none should perish."

A partial listing of **W I N** materials available now is given below:

1. LEAD: WIN Administration Guide (Program Help).
2. "A Full and Meaningful Life."
3. "Telling The Good News."
4. "Letters to New Converts."
5. "Creating The Chance to Witness."
6. "The Bible and Prayer."
7. "Your Christian Witness."
8. "Your Church."
9. "Your Christian Life."

Respectfully submitted,
Homer F. Greene, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Your committee nominates the following named personnel to serve our Association for the ensuing year 1971-1972 in the respective positions:

1. Moderator ..... Rev. Glenn Huffman
2. Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Joel Johnson
3. Clerk ..... Mrs. S. B. Absher
4. Treasurer ..... Rev. Bill Pruitt
5. Ministers Conference ..... Rev. Joel Johnson
6. Music ..... Rev. B. C. Owenby
7. Sunday School ..... Mr. Wayne Pardue

8. Training Union ..... Mr. Floyd Coffey
9. W. M. U. ..... Mrs. Bill Pruitt
10. Librarian ..... Mrs. Ralph Huff
11. Brotherhood ..... Mr. Denver Holcomb
12. Evangelism ..... Rev. Homer Greene
13. Hospital Representative ..... Mr. Claude Settle
14. Homes For The Aging ..... Mr. Odell Whittington
15. Children's Home Representative ..... Rev. Julius Blevins

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Tommy Privette
Mr. C. C. Blevins
Mr. Burr Hutchinson

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC., 1971

A recent graduating senior had this to say about what it is like to live in one of **our** Baptist Children's Homes: "I really do not know how to write about a place which has been so fine, and which has given me the opportunity to worship, work, and learn; not only where we stand in moments of comfort and convenience, but where we stand in moments of challenge and moments of controversy. After all these years, one finally learns that certain values and practices are good and sound and help children to feel secure and happy."

This statement could be made by almost any senior regarding his home and community, for a child in the care of the Baptist Children's Homes has basically the same attitudes and values as other children. He differs from other children only in the tragic experiences which have made it necessary for him to live away from his family. For these children, it is the mission of the Homes to provide loving care in the spirit of Jesus Christ. They want to work in harmony with what they sense God is doing in the life of each child, enabling the child to tap his own inner resources and grow to responsible adulthood.

The pursuit of this basic goal has led the Children's Homes to develop a variety of services, all family centered. Some families need resident care for their children and for these they have **group homes** and **foster homes.** Some families can remain together with outside help and for these they have family services in the form of counstling or financial assistance. For the unmarried girl who is pregnant, they offer maternity care. For the graduate in their care. they assist in higher education. For churches involved in day care, they proivde a demonstration program and consultation service. They also welcome individual inquiries regarding any of these services as the need may arise.

These services are made available through strategically located facilities throughout North Carolina: in the East at Kinston, Pembroke, Fayetteville and Raleigh; in the Piedmont at Chapel Hill, Thomasville and Charlotte; in the West at Asheville and Waynesville.

Staff members and children of the Baptist Children's Homes are grateful for the harmonious relationship they have shared with North Carolina Baptists. The churches have expressed their confidence and support through increased Cooperative Program gifts and a 1970 Thanksgiving Offering of $380,000. Individuals continue to give generously and to become involved in our varied ministries. The Baptist

Children's Home accepts this support as an investment in all that they are doing and they pledge ourselves to translate our investment into quality Christian child care.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Julius Blevins

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT, 1971

Your Baptist Hospital admitted 17,557 persons in 1970 for a total of 150,174 days of care. In addition, there were 51,563 visits to outpatient clinics, including 17,241 to the Emergency Room. About 90% of these were "referral" patients—that is, patients who were referred to our hospital by their local physicians because they needed the specialized medical care our Hospital is staffed and equipped to offer.

Our Hospital, from the day of its beginning, has provided good medical care for our people, including care for persons who cannot pay the cost. There has been great progress in medicine and tremendous increase in hospital costs, and these have made some policy changes necessary. The basic policy of providing care — now the highly specialized care for the more difficult cases — for those who cannot pay has not changed. This Christian ministry is at the heart of the work of our Baptist Hospital.

The financial situation of the Hospital is viewed by the administration with "cautious optimism." The operating deficit has been reduced and expenditures are being kept more nearly in line with income. The entire staff is cooperating in an effort to maintain a proper balance between sound financial policies and a spirit of Christian compassion.

The Medical Center Development Program is progressing on schedule. The new Patient Tower is expected to be ready for partial occupancy by late 1972. The 14 bed coronary care unit will open about September, 1971. A statewide Development Campaign, initiated with pledges totaling $177,182 from employees of the Medical Center, is moving toward successful completion.

Baptist Hospital offers a ministry of healing in Christ's name to all who need it. It seeks to fulfill the same purpose in North Carolina that a Baptist Hospital operated by our Foreign Mission Board seeks to fulfill in Korea or Nigeria. It ought to be supported by missionary-minded Baptists with the same enthusiasm and for the same reason we support other phases of our denomination's World Mission Program. This is missions too.

Respectfully submitted,
Claude M. Settle,
Hospital Representative

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

Our North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging celebrated their 20th anniversary in March of this year. During these two decades, the story of our Homes has been one of faith and the abundant blessings of God upon this special ministry to older people. God has brought us from one Home, and one resident in 1951, to five Homes and a Nursing Care Unit, with total accommodations for 160 residents and 76 patients. Two of these Homes, Resthaven and the Hayes Home, and the Nursing Care Unit are located in Winston-Salem, and the

other three Homes are located in Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. In these Homes, our residents are loved, and we feel that there is no greater security that they could have and no better care that they could receive.

The past year has been one of the best ever, and we are rejoicing in the blessings that have come from God through our Baptist people. Support for the Homes from the churches, through the Cooperative Program and the Special Day Offering, has been most encouraging. For the last three years, the Homes have had an alarming deficit and have operated in the red. We have not yet reached the point of operating in the black, but let us say, with hopeful optimism, that we are approaching this time. The deepened concern of our Baptist People and the increase in gifts have been contributing factors to the success of the past year.

At least 80% of the people who live in our Baptist Homes are financially needy persons and benefit directly from the love gifts of North Carolina Baptists. They simply could not be maintained, and the Homes could not be operated without the Special Offering, designated gifts from the churches, and the Cooperative Program. We would urge our Baptist people, therefore, to remember how dependent these dear older people are on them and would challenge them to give more liberally than ever and to see that their gifts are a real life-line in the on-going of this ministry.

Of unsual interest during the past year has been the construction of the new addition to the Nursing Care Unit in Winston-Salem. It is anticipated that this new facility will be ready for occupancy by September - It will make available 20 additional beds and bring the total capacity of the Nursing Care Unit to 76. This addition was made possible by the generous challenge gift of $80,000.00 from Judge and Mrs. William York, of Greensboro. The trustees accepted the challenge and raised an additional $80,000.00.

Pray for your Baptist Homes for the Aging and remember that any ministry to an older person in the name of Christ is a direct ministry to Him.

Respectfully submitted,
Odell Whittington

TEMPERANCE

We in America and the World are faced with an ever increasing problem — namely the sale and use of Alcoholic Beverage and Drugs of all kinds.

The question is how to deal best with these?

Temperance can no longer be considered just a refraining from drink but the total self restraint of our thoughts and tongues and the whole body. Luke 21:34 tells us — And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.

The Apostle Peter in 2 Peter 1:5-7 says temperance is a part of Christian growth and maturity.

Therefore all Christians should abstain from the use and indulgence in all ugly and hurtful things.

Respectfully submitted,
Major M. Caudill

PASTOR AND CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

The relationship of the Pastor and the Church is a unique relationship. The Pastor should be to the Church as Christ was to the disciples. He must lead his church in the Christian principles of life, he must lead in the development of the Church, both spiritually and financially. He must lead with regard to the church building program, both in membership and structure. He also has the responsibility of bringing the Word of God to the Christian in order to lead him in his daily life and also the responsibility of bringing the Word of God to the lost and trying to win them to Christ. The Pastor is responsible for visiting with the church membership and helping them in time of need or trouble. He must comfort the bereaved and witness to the lost. There are a vast number of responsibilities which the Pastor has to the Church. Too many in fact for us to enumerate today.

The Church also has certain responsibilities to the Pastor. The Church has the responsibility of supporting the Pastor both financially and spiritually. Financial support is necessary in order that the Pastor can utilize his time in working with the people in the community rather than spending his time at public work. Spiritual support is necessary in order for the Pastor to be able to bring the Word of God to the people effectively. A cold Church often leads to a cold and lifeless Pastor. As one Pastor remarked that the too often cause of a polar bear in the pulpit is the fact that there are so many icebergs in the congregation.

The Church also has the responsibility of helping the Pastor witness to the lost, through their contact with them in their daily lives. Too often we hear it said by the lost "Why should I go to Church when so and so there is a Church member and he lives the devil through the week and I am just as good as he is." To often we fail in our Christian lives and thus let some soul die and go to torment because we have tried to compromise our daily lives to conform with the world. We must live our lives through the week as we do on Sundays.

Then, the Church, together with the Pastor, has the responsibility of getting the lost saved and of making the community a better place in which to live.

The Pastor and Church relationship is indeed a unique relationship and one in which too often both the Church and the Pastor fails. Let's all of us as Christians and as Pastors pledge to work harder for a closer relationship and a better church and world in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifton Prevette

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Five of the 41 senior colleges and universities and two of the 14 junior colleges operated by Southern Baptists, are located in North Carolina. The geographical distribution of these institutions throughout our State makes one of them readily available to all our Baptist young people.

In addition to the traditional services, which our Baptist Colleges render to our denomination and to our people, they have given strong moral leadership in an age of moral decline; they have refused

the popular idea that a college has no responsibility for student conduct; and they have not permitted violence to be substantiated for the power of persuation. Neither have they allowed anarchy to reign in the guise of dissent or civil disobedience.

These church-related institutions are the last live option for post-high school training in a Christian atmosphere. They maintain a steadfast conviction that only Christian education offers preparation for complete living and their mutual purpose is to develop quality Christian students who think for themselves, and dedicate themselves to the Christian way of life in the vocation of their choice. At these colleges Christian standards are expected and even stated in writing; but are never more perfectly achieved on the campus they are in the local church. However, the witness is present in both precent and example.

Christian colleges continue to make a vital contribution in both the training of church-related vocational workers and lay leadership.

The current crisis in higher education has caused our educational institutions to realize more fully the importance of Baptist support in terms of funds given through the Cooperative Program as well as private donations.

It is vitally important that we keep our cooperative fund to a high level, doing our part to further this worthy cause. Let us also pray that our youth may continue to receive the type of Christian instruction so necessary to good leadership, stronger churches, better communities, happier homes, and a spiritual reawakening on a national level.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Margie P. Blevins

1970 COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT 1971

A wonderful missionary-minded church member said, "We have five missionaries supported by our church." "Just five" I asked. "Well, I thought that was a large number," she said, "and for one church." "The church I belong to has over thirty-five hundred." She wanted to know how in the world one church could have that many missionaries. It was explained to her that in the state in the homeland, and in other lands there were approximately thirty-five hundred Southern Baptist Missionaries. "Oh," she said, 'You mean through the cooperative program you help support all of these?"

The cooperative program not only sends your church on missions throughout the world, it permits your church to minister to practically every known physical, spiritual and social ill. The cooperative program has been, and is, the way the Southern Baptist churches fulfill their New Testament assignment to evangelize the whole world. You are sharing your Christian Faith with a lost world as your church gives some of your offering through the Cooperative Program.

Why should a church give to world-wide missions through the cooperative program? Let's find our answer in some Biblical examples:

When God created, He created the whole world (Gen. 1:1)

When God loved, He loved the whole world (John 3:16)

When Christ died, He died for the whole world (Isa. 53:6)

When Christ commissioned His Churches, He sent them into the whole world (Matt. 28:19-20 Acts 1:8).

The Cooperative Program is a daring program. It dares to include the whole cause of Christ in the whole world. It dares to request the support of every Church and every church member. It dares to stand as the means of providing a needy world with the saving gospel of Christ.

A better way of providing for world missions may some day be found, but until it is, the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM is the best way I know. And I challenge each person and each church to give substantial support to world missions through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bill L. Pruitt

1970 MISSIONS REPORT 1971

Jesus Christ set the example for us in Missions. He was a home missionary in the house of Lazarus; a foreign missionary when the Greeks came to Him; a city missionary when He taught in Samaria and Jerusalem; a Sunday School missionary when He opened up the scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God; a children's missionary when He took them in His arms and blessed them; a missionary to the poor when He opened the eyes of the blind beggar; a missionary to the rich when He opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus. Even on the cross Christ was a missionary to the robber. His last command was the missionary Commission: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

This Great Commission at the close of Matthew's gospel represents Jesus' last word to His disciples and the first word in the vocabulary of all succeeding discipleship. Into the mortal hands of the eleven remaining disciples Jesus placed the immortal tidings, and into their hearts He implanted a WORLD Mission. They became His apostles—persons commissioned, sent as His representatives, empowered by His Spirit, and assured of His living presence.

MISSION became the magnificent obsession of the early Church and has been ever since—the hallmark of radiant, venturesome and consecrated Christian endeavor. Christianity is instinctively, incurably MISSIONARY! The lamp lighted in Palestine was carried by Paul into Asia Minor and the Mediterranean world. Through the force of his skill, genius, and passion, "colonies of heaven" were established in the most strategic locations.

What must have seemed an **impossible** mission for the members of Christ's intimate circle of friends continues for us to be an **incomplete** mission until the witness and work of the Gospel embrace all humanity within the love, concern, and salvation of the kind, gracious and gentle Father. The motivating force of MISSIONS is Conviction — a matter of the heart — a belief that this is God's way of expressing Himself through us, His people.

We have 2,520 Southern Baptist Missionaries assigned to 76 countries in 42 categories of service. They ask that we PRAY for them. A true follower of Jesus will use a map which includes the whole world and all the people in it. Too often, people place MISSIONS as something far away and happening someplace else, but

MISSIONS is not how you label it, but how you respond to it.

'Whoso . . . seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him" — "For I was hungry and you gave me . . ." "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" — "Let us not love in work; neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth."

These scriptures and many more are reliable and God means what He says. And He says without your brother, "You can't go home again." We are our brother's keeper!

We cannot hide in our beautifully furnished houses of worship from the sight of empty men and lonely men. We cannot drown out distress cries with our organs and anthems. We don't have to define MISSIONS, we just have to be HONEST in facing it.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Bill Pruitt

PERIODICALS REPORT

(My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.) Hosea 4-6. Now more than ever, we need to be more selective of the material that comes into our homes. We all are aware of the importance of Christian training in the world today. There is so much pornographic literature being sold in so many different places that it behooves parents to advise their children concerning their reading material.

The Biblical Recorder is a good, wholesome, and attractive weekly publication that will be of interest and help to the whole family. This denominational publication has now passed 93,000 copies per week, the highest circulation in its 138-year history. Even though inflation continues to create problems, you can still receive the Recorder, under the church plan, for only four cents a week.

The Recorder likes to report all the good news it can about the Baptists. Is is proud to communicate to the world what our denomination is doing. However, when evil needs to be exposed, the Recorder does not shun its obligation. This was evidenced this year by the stand it took against liquor by the drink in our legislature. It stresses Christian citizenship. Perhaps this is one reason the paper continues to reach more and more people — IT STANDS FOR SOMETHING.

Besides the Recorder we have Charity and Children, The Commission, Home Missions, Home Life, Open Windows, Church Training, Brotherhood, and WMU literature. These are just a few. In your Baptist Book Store you can find almost any good literature you may desire. Last but the most important of all, let us study the WORD OF GOD as enjoined by Paul when he wrote to Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Truth." Tim. 2:15.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. Blevins

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

Cost of living has advanced so in 1970, Pastors, Church Staff members and denominational employees have moved to provide greater protection by increasing their Southern Baptist Protection Program participation to at least ten per cent of total salary.

Since January 1, 1970, active members received good experience credit in the form of increase in retirement credits accrued.

Four per cent more income for retired persons each month.

Each retired person or widow received a 13th check for 1970, which was 8.33 per cent of his annual benefit. This being the fifth consecutive year, this amounted to 424,594.00.

In the 53-year history, the Annuity Board has paid benefits amounting to $82,100,000.00. For the year of 1970, there were $8,404,-306.00 paid in benefits.

All needs of pastor, church staff member, or denominational employee is available in the Annuity Board Protection Program Retirement and life and health insurance plans.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John West

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Owing to the steady growth of our Baptist organization through the years, together with the many different channels from which it receives support, our Convention, some years ago, organized this very important and efficient agency. Its purpose is to procure and distribute certain funds including endowments, trusts, wills, and others, under the control, and responsible to, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Donations to this agency are accepted from church groups and others, as well as individuals. It has broad dimensions, giving the donor free choice to give direct, or choose the one or more agencies, and also when and how, donations may be distributed. No amount is too small or too large.

Since the foundation was re-activated in 1966, assets have increased approximately fourfold. This is sufficient proof of the confidence being placed in this secure and trustworthy organization.

The foundation is managed by a board of fifteen bonded directors who are carefully chosen businessmen, picked from churches over the state, who are willing to serve without compensation. All receipts through this channel are no-taxable. The full proceeds can be distributed directly through the Convention as prescribed by the donor.

The other agencies of our Convention obtain their support from many different sources including tithes and offerings. This one emphasizes accumulated income and lump sum giving including endowments, trusts, and wills. This makes it possible for the donor to contribute at will, while living, after death, or both.

All dividends from contributions placed in trust are distributed periodically through the convention, as designated by the donor, and remain a living memorial throughout all future generations.

For further information contact:

C. Gordon Maddrey, Exec. Secretary
301 Hillsboro Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Royall

TIME AND PLACE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association will be held on Saturday, before the 1st Sunday in May, May 6, 1972 at Mountain View Church 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Larry Beaver
Rev. Julius Blevins
Rev. Homer Greene

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER

The next annual Session of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association will be held as follows:

Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September 1972.

Friday, September 22nd, 10:00, at Baptist Home Church, Rev. Julius Blevins Speaker, Rev. Clarence Brown Alternate; Friday night, 7:30 P.M., Mountain View Church. Saturday morning, September 23rd, 10:00 A.M., Dehart Church. Rev. M. L. Blevins Speaker, Rev. Horace Hall, Alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Beaver
Amos Combs
V. D. Woodruff

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, The Resolutions Committee, in behalf of The Stone Mountain Baptist Association, Wish to express our appreciation to host churches: Haymeadow, Pine View, and Benham. Also to the members and pastors, and especially appreciate those who prepared and served the delicious meals.

We also wish to express our thanks to all Associational Officers, Heads of all the Associational Organizations, and Pastors for the work they are doing to the upbuilding of God's Kingdom in the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John West
Rev. Major Caudill
Mr. B. W. Carter

IN MEMORIAM

In the calendar for our work this few moments are given to honor and remember our loved ones who have answered the call during the past year. I feel their wish would be "Glory to God in the Highest." Year by year we receive and enjoy an abundance of blessings. Blessings mixed with heartaches, problems, sickness and death.

In calling the names of our departed loved ones we are humbly thankful for their Christian influences. Their living and passing should stir within our souls a burning desire to carry on with all our strength to accomplish things worthwhile in our alloted time. May Christ be our central object and to do His will be "Our Daily Bread."

In viewing and calling the names we see humanity from all walks

and stations of life. Aged people, middle age and some very young. Some bear the heat of the battle for many years, some for a few, some for a short while . We simply say: if for long or for a short while, still they all were in the battle and through God's mercy they won the victory. It isn't too important how long we live but all important how we live. Time to live, let it be for Christ.

In honoring and reflecting over past years we recall times and actions. Time of fellowship and prayers. Still keeping in mind the blessed assurance of a great reunion. If our Heavenly Father gives to the fading rosebush the promise of another springtime, when it shall burst forth in glory and bloom again we are assured those planted in the Lord shall come forth in new life. Glorious morning and glad reunion day.

Fallen comrades goodbye for a season, we shall meet again.

Respectfully submitted,
M. L. Blevins

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS IN THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

Ernest Blevins, M. L. Blevins, Watson Bryant, E. D. Burchett, Albert Byrd, G. B. Crabb, James Durham, Grant Hincher, Lester Johnson, L. E. Sparks, Allen Staley, Banner Wyatt.

MINISTERS ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR

Julius Blevins, Haymeadow Church.

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

Roy Bauguess, Fairplains Church.

Bobby Brown, Haymeadow Church.

Harvey Wiles, Mt. Pisgah Church.

Major Felts, Oak Ridge Church.

NEW PASTORS — The Association is Happy to welcome the following New Pastors: John McCann, Knobbs; Larry Beaver, Maple Grove; Burr Holcomb, Welcome Home.

Our Beloved Dead

BAPTIST HOME: Mr. William Everhart.

BENHAM: Mr. Will Smoot, Mrs. Joyce Mathis, Mrs. Louise Tucker.

CENTER: Mr. J. B. Higgins, Mr. J. Monroe Blevins.

DEHART: Mrs. Myra Walker.

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. Richard Pardue, Mr. Wiley Brooks (Deacon), Mr. William Marsh (Deacon).

HAYMEADOW: Mr. Howard Burke.

KNOBBS: Mr. Barry F. Spicer, Mrs. Etta Spicer, Mrs. Ida H. Key.

MAPLE GROVE: A. C. Yale, Sr. (Deacon), Rev. Cleo Whitley, Mr. Bobby Hendrix, Mrs. Lula Whitley, Mr. Joe Cohee.

MOUNT PISGAH: Rev. C. A. Absher, Mrs. Ina Absher, Mrs. Maude Billings, Mrs. Mae Myers.

MOUNT ZION: Rev. E. B. Cain, Miss Pearl Whittington.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Mrs. Martha Sue Pendry Sebastian, Mr. Carroll Dancey, Jr., Mr. Ralph Holder.

OAK RIDGE #2: Mr. L. G. Combs, Sr. (Deacon), Harrison Felts (Deacon), Bruce Johnson, Miss Hattie Myers.

PINE VIEW: Mrs. Zadie Stamper.

PLEASANT RIDGE: Mrs. Jerelene Darnell, Mrs. Callie Cothren.

ROARING GAP: Mrs. Lilly Hull, Mrs. Margaret Holcomb, Mr. Wiley Calloway, Mr. James Bauguess.

ROCK SPRINGS: J. W. Hall (Deacon).

STONY RIDGE: Mrs. Bonnie Crabb Sink, Mrs. Nannie Pruitt Walls.

TRAPHILL: Mr. Clyde Mac Brown.

UNION: Mrs. Luisa Bumgarner.

WALNUT COVE: Rev. Uriah Hanks.

CALENDAR FOR THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION 1972

January 1972 Make Your Will Month

Monday,J an. 3: Ministers Conference, Roaring Gap Church, 7:30 P.M.

Monday, Jan. 3, January Bible Study Week 3-7.

Wednesday, Jan. 5: State V. B. S. Clinic. Wingate College 5-7.

Friday, Jan. 21: Institute for Home Mission Study Teachers, CaRAway, 21-22.

Sunday, 23: Baptist Men's Day.

Tuesday, 25: General Board Meeting. Baptist Building, Raleigh 25-26.

Friday, 28: High School Senior's Retreat, CaRAway 28-30.

February 1972

Saturday, 5: R. A. Counselor Leadership Cources, Morganton.

Sunday, 6: Baptist World Alliance Sunday.

Monday, 7: State Wide Evangelism Conference, Fayetteville, Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium 7-9.

Sunday, 13: Race Relations Sunday.

Monday, 14: Minister Conference and Prayer Meeting, Knobbs, 7:30 P.M.

Sunday, 20: Special Day and Offering for Homes for the Aging.

Tuesday, 22: Regional Real Life Conference (Sunday School) Lenoir College Ave.

Friday, 25: State Missions Conference, High Point, Green Street, 25-26.

Monday, 28: VBS Pre-Clinic.

March 1972

Friday, 3: Regional Choir Festivals 3-4, Pleasant Hill, Elkin.

Monday, 6: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, Benham, 7:30 P.M.

Sunday, 5: Week of Prayer For Home Missions, Annie Armstrong Easter Offering 5-11.

Tuesday, 14: W.M.U. Annual Session, Winston-Salem Convention Center 14-16.

Sunday, 12: Youth Week In The Churches 12-18.

Friday, 17: Annual W.M.U. Meeting, Maple Grove, 7:30 P.M.

Saturday, 18: Associational Youth Night, Center.

Friday, 24: Baptist Men and Boys Convention, Charlotte, Pritchard 24-25.

April 1972

Sunday, 2: Easter Sunday.

Monday, 3: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, Rock Springs, 7:30 P.M.

Sunday, 9: VBS Clinic, Knobbs.

Tuesday, 11: Family Life Conference, Winston-Salem First.

Thursday, 13: Sunday School Real Life, Maple Grove, 7:30.

Sunday, 16: Cooperative Program Day.

Sunday, 16: Church Member Training Week 16-22.

Sunday, 23: VBS Clinic, Center.

Friday, 28: Weekend RA Camp, CaRAway 28-29.
Family Camping Weekend, CaRAway 28-30

May 1972

Monday, 1: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, Walnut Grove, 7:30.

Friday, 5: All State Youth Choir Festival, Winston-Salem 5-6.

Saturday, 6: Sunday School Convention, Mountain View, 10:00.

Sunday, 7: Christian Home Week 7-13.

Friday, 12: Baptist Womens Retreat, Mundo Vista 12-13.

Sunday, 14: Baptist Hospital Day and Mothers' Day Offering.

Monday, 15: State Wide Communications, Evangelism and Administration Workshop, Greensboro First 15-16.

Friday, 19: Teachers and Interpreters Conference (Deaf) CaRAway 19-21.

Saturday, 20: State RA Track Meet, Wake Forest University.

Sunday, 21: Baptist Radio and Television Sunday.

June

Sunday, 4: W.M.U. Annual Meeting, S.B.C., Philadelphia, Pa. 4-5.

Monday, 5: Pastors Conference, Religious Education Conference, and Church Music Conference, S.B.C., Philadelphia, Pa. 6-8.

Tuesday, 6: Southern Baptist Convention, Philadelphia, Pa. 6-8.

Sunday, 11: Religious Liberty Sunday.

Monday, 12: GA Camps Begin, Mundo Vista.
RA Camps Begin, CaRAway.
Truet Camp Opens (Region 10).

Saturday, 17: Young Marrieds' Retreat, Mundo Vista 17-18.

Sunday, 18: Baptist College Day and Offering.

Tuesday, 20: General Board Meeting 20-21.

Thursday, 22: Sunday School Outreach Meeting, Mountain View, 7:30 P.M.

Monday, 26: Associational Superintendents of Missions Conference, Fruitland 26-30.

July 1972

Monday, 3: Week of Christian study and Fellowship, Mars Hill College 3-7.

Tuesday, 4: Independence Day.

Wednesday, 5: Associational Sunday School Officers' Briefing Meeting, Caswell.

Friday, 7: Baptist Young Womens Retreat, Mundo Vista, 7-8.

Sunday, 9: Christian Literature Day.

Monday, 17: Acteen Camps Begin, Mundo Vista.

Friday, 28: College Career Retreat, Mundo Vista 28-30.

August 1972

Wednesday, 2: Associational Sunday School Officers' Briefing Meeting, Ridgecrest.

Sunday, 13: Language Missions Day.

Friday, 18: Statewide Youth Evangelism Night, Greensboro Coliseum.

Sunday, 20: On-To College Day. Week of Prayer For Associational Missions, 20-26.

September 1972

Monday, 4: Labor Day.

Friday, 8: Brotherhood Leadership Training Retreat, CaRAway 8-9. Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Mundo Vista 8-9.

Monday, 11: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, Welcome Home, 7:30 P.M.

Friday, 15: Acteens Associational Officers Clinic, Mundo Vista 15-16.

Sunday. 17: State Missions Day and Offering.

Friday, 22: Associational Annual Sessions, Morning, Baptist Home; Night, Mountain View.

Saturday, 23: Annual Session, Morning, Dehart.

October 1972

Monday: 2: Ministers Conference and Prayer meeting, Pine View, 7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, 4: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis In Churches.

Friday, 6: Father-son Camp (6, 7 and 8-year olds) CaRAway 6-7.
Statewide Pastors and Sunday School Directors Meeting, CaRAway 6-7.
Baptist Young Women's Convention, Raleigh, Forest Hills 6-8.

Sunday, 8: Biblical Recorder Day.

Tuesday, 10: General Board Meeting 10-12.

Wednesday, 11: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis In The Churches.

Friday, 13: Deacons' Retreat; CaRAway 13-15.

Wednesday, 18: Church Building Conference, Lenoir.
Cooperative Program Emphasis In The Churches.

Sunday, 22: American Bible Society Day.

Friday, 27: Festival of Creative Arts and Church Training Creative Leadership Conference, Morganton First, 27-28.

November 1972

Friday, 3: BSU Fall Convention, Ridgecrest 3-5.

Sunday, 5: Royall Ambassador Week 5-11.

Monday, 6: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, Oak Ridge 7:30 P.M.

Monday, 13: Baptist State Convention, Winston-Salem 13-15.

Sunday, 19: Thanksgiving Offering for Children's Home.

Thursday, 23: Thanksgiving Day.

Monday, 27: M. Night, Baptist Home Church, 7:30 P.M.

December 1972

Sunday, 3: Week of Prayer For Foreign Missions, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, 3-9.

Monday, 4: Ministers Conference and Prayer Meeting, New Light #1, 7:30.

Wednesday, 20: Convention-Wide Carol Sing In the Churches.

Monday. 25: CHRISTMAS DAY.

Sunday, 31: Student-Night At-Christmas.

TABLE A—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 71

CHURCHES	PASTORS NAMES AND ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0)	Services twice on Sunday?	If no, services held on: 1st Sunday M	1st Sunday E	2nd Sunday M	2nd Sunday E	3rd Sunday M	3rd Sunday E	4th Sunday M	4th Sunday E	5th Sunday M	5th Sunday E	Total Baptisms	Other additions by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present non-resident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist denom.	No. members lost to non-Baptist denominations	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property, incl. pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this assoc. year
Baptist Home	C. Frank Sitton, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1880	1		*	*		*		*		*		*	1	9	7	405	61	466			30,000	180,000	9,200
Benham	Joel Johnson, 335 Collins Rd., Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1917	1		*	*	*	*		*		*		*	4	5	8	160	93	253	2			30,000	
Center		Wilkes	1886	2	*											9	6	9	250	26	276	1	1	18,000	60,000	14,984
Dehart	Julius S. Blevins, R2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1879	1		*	*		*		*		*			16		2	142	59	201				18,000	
Elk Spur	Boyd Caudill	Alleghany	1900	1		*			*							20		1	55	24	79					
Fairplains	Horace W. Hall, R5, Box 461-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1902	2	*											14	11	20	465	121	586		5	50,000	200,000	18,000
Haymeadow	Amos Combs, R1, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1905	1		*	*		*	*	*		*	*	*	10		7								
Knobbs	John McCann, R2, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1906	1		*			*				*	*		14	10	4	220		220					
Maple Grove	Larry D. Beaver, R1, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1932	1	*											10	4	16	222	50	272			20,000	75,000	6,823
Mount Pisgah	J. E. Key, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1879	1		*	*			*	*		*			9	3	8	136	30	166				17,000	
Mount Zion	Major M. Caudill, Box 21, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1898	1		*	*		*				*			1			108	5	113				9,725	1,384
Mountain Valley	Bill L. Pruitt. Box 84, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1902	1		*	*		*		*		*		*	1	1	4	113	85	198				50,000	
Mountain View	B. C. Owenby, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1912	2	*											6	7		182	36	218			20,000	60,000	
New Light	Clarence Brown, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1899	1		*	*		*		*		*			5	1	4	86	91	167				30,000	
Oak Ridge	Ted Combs, R2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1911	1		*	*		*		*		*		*	33	17	10	165	120	285	2			35,000	
Pine View	John L. West, 616 S. Corp. St., Wilkesboro 28697	Wilkes	1935	1		*	*		*		*		*			4	7	8	141	95	236		2		50,000	
Piney Grove		Wilkes	1888	1																						
Pleasant Ridge	Homer F. Greene, R2, Box 247, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1907	2	*											3	1	9	237	52	289		1	26,500	156,500	53,500
Pleasant View	Milton Sewell, R2, Box 248-B, Mt. Airy 27030	Wilkes	1944	1		*	*			*	*		*			10	1	13	164	55	219					3,876
Roaring Gap	E. R. Wiles, R1, Box 149, Thurmond 28683	Wilkes	1895	1		1	*	*	*		*		*			18	5	4	184	95	279				30,000	
Rock Springs	Major M. Caudill, R1, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1904	2		*	*			*	*		*			2	9	2	114	68	182				10,000	
Stony Ridge	Hillery Wood, R2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1905	1		*	*				*	*				6	4	3	110	31	141				13,000	236
Traphill	Hillery Wood, R2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1887	2		*		*				*				7		3	51	30	81				10,000	
Union	J. Glenn Huffman	Wilkes	1911	1		*	*	*		*		*					2	2	91	44	135				42,000	
Walnut Grove	Fred Joines, R1, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1902	1		*	*			*						3		8	60	113	173				3,500	
TOTALS																206	113	152	3861	1384	5235	5	9	164,500	1,079,725	108,003

TABLE B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years & under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Fellowship Bible classes	Fellowship Bible class enrolment	Weekday Bible study enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Total V.B.S. enrolment
Baptist Home	Clyde Sidden, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	48	54	41	26	105	34	3	311	205			88	110	110
Benham	John Jackson, R2, Elkin 28621	17	23	16	30	48	18	21	173	108				124	124
Center	Bobby Fender, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	21	28	22	10	35	22	4	142	107				123	123
Dehart	Wilmar Porter, McGrady 28649	10	17	15	14	30		10	96	72				100	100
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668														
Fairplains	Charles Norman, P.O. Box 182, N. Wilkesboro 28659	28	60	56	42	104	27	4	321	170				134	134
Haymeadow	Bill Warren, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	30	30	20	30	75	25		210	117				171	171
Knobbs	John D. Collins, R2, Box 64-A, Elkin 28621	20	20	15	40	40	10		145	90			25	76	76
Maple Grove	J. T. McGlamery, Hays 28635	28	34	25	20	30	26	6	169	99				91	91
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R1, Box 198, Traphill 28685	8	10	20	28	34	4	8	112	78					
Mount Zion	Rev. Albert Byrd, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	3	8	11	9	13		2	46	43				45	45
Mountain Valley	Ancil Faw, R1, Millers Creek 28651	2	25	26	14	40		4	103	97				43	43
Mountain View	Commie Hayes, Hays 28635	13	24	14	18	40	10	4	123	85				58	58
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669	10	18	10	13	55		10	116	79				48	48
Oak Ridge	David Pruitt, Hays 28635	27	29	25	40	30	12		160	118				107	107
Pine View	Jack Hartley, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	27	20	25	28	57	13	1	171	125			15	79	79
Piney Grove															
Pleasant Ridge	J .Ralph Collins, R1, State Road 28676	17	33	26	24	66	31	5	202	149			30	111	111
Pleasant View	Paul Mounce, State Road 28676	25	30	21	11	60	15	14	176	147				134	134
Roaring Gap	James Holcomb, Jonesville 28642	13	27	16	20	42	28	2	148	134				114	114
Rock Springs	Wallace Royster, McGrady 28649	5	7	9	14	25	15	4	79	51				65	65
Stony Ridge	Justus Bauguess, R1, Traphill 28685	4	10	12	20	30	6	10	92	82					
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R2, Elkin 28621	3	4	5	5	10	5	3	35	20				51	51
Union	Bobby Bowlin, R1, Millers Creek 28651	6	10	10	10	20	6	4	66	45	1	12		50	50
Walnut Grove	Everett Hanks, R5, Box 364, N. Wilkesboro 28659	7	5	5	7	16	3	2	43	32					
TOTALS		372	526	445	473	1005	310	121	3239	2253	1	12	158	1834	1834

TABLE C—TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Training Union attendance
Baptist Home	Floyd Coffey, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	11	12	14	12	18	.....	3	70	62
Center	Link Osborne, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	7	2	2	11	7	.....	2	31	20
Mountain Valley	Doug Souther, R1, Hays 28635	2	10	16	8	12	.....	2	48	33
Mountain View	C. W. Barker, P.O. Box 92, Hays 28635	5	5	5	3	15	.....	5	38	18
New Light	Aldean Jolly, R1, Roaring River 28669	2	6	6	.....	11	.....	5	25	19
Pine View	John D. Brown, R1, McGrady 28649	2	6	4	6	7	.....	1	26	18
Roaring Gap	Richard Blackburn, R1, Thurmond 28683	.....	10	10	20	.....	10	2	52	38
TOTALS		29	51	57	60	70	10	20	290	208

TABLE D—BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Bap. Young Men enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Baptist Men enrol. (30-59 yrs. or 30 to retirement)	Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	General Officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Brotherhood enrolment
Baptist Home	Steve Call, R1, Box 472, N. Wilkesboro 28659		12		27		2		39
Benham	Ronald Burcham, R2. Elkin 28621				12		1		12
Fairplains	Lawrence W. Shumate, R5, Box 397, N. Wilkesboro 28659				15		3		15
Maple Grove	Vaughn Hawkins, R1, Hays 28635	7	4	1	7	3	2		24
Pleasant Ridge			10						10
TOTALS		7	26	1	61	3	8		100

TABLE E—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Mission Friends (5 years and under not in school)		Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)		Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)		Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. grad. to 29 years)		Baptist Women 30 and over		WMU officers enrolment	Mission(s) of church		Total WMU	
		Number of organizations	Enrolment	Number of organizations	Enrolment	Number of organizations	Enrolment	Number of organizations	Enrolment	Number of organizations	Enrolment		Number of organizations	Enrolment	Number of organizations	Enrolment
Baptist Home	Mrs. C. Frank Sitton, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	15	1	13	1	5	1	10	1	35	10			5	88
Benham	Mrs. Wayne Pardue, R2, Elkin 28621	1	5	1	6	1	6	1	4	1	10	8			5	39
Center	Mrs. Imogene Osborne, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	3	2	9	2	9			1	16	1			7	38
Fairplains	Mrs. James Lawrimore, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	8	1	15	1	12	1	11	1	18	12			5	64
Knobbs	Mrs. John McCann, R2, Elkin 28621											4				
Maple Grove	Mrs. C. C. Blevins, R5, Box 178, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	5	1	5	1	7			1	10	6			4	33
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Mary Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635											3	1	10	1	13
Mountain View	Mrs. Commie Hayes, Hays 28635									1	16				1	16
New Light	Mrs. Della Carter, R1, Roaring River 28669					1	5			1	4	4			1	9
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Polly Bryant, Hays 28635															
Pine View	Mrs. Willa Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	6	1	6	1	10			1	19	1			3	42
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Odessa Luffman, R1, State Road 28676	1	5	1	5	1	11			1	9	4			4	34
Pleasant View	Mrs. Joyce Calloway, State Road 28676			1	8					1	29	1			1	38
TOTALS		7	47	9	67	9	65	3	25	10	166	54	1	10	37	419

TABLE F—CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total church music enrolment	Average weekly church music enrolment	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensemble enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	Church muusic study group enrolment
Baptist Home	Wayne Hayes, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659				28			20	14				
Benham	Claytus Cothren, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621			10	20			30	20				
Center	Joe Rhoades, Rt. 1, N Wilkesboro 28659			6	20	3		29	18				
Dehart	Don Rhoades, McGrady 28649												
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668												
Fairplains	Miss Iva Shumate, R5, Box 397, N. Wilkesboro 28659	15	20	30	27	2		94	60		13		
Haymeadow	James Rhoades, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659												
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, Rt. 2, Box 186-A, Elkin 28621	8	8	10	25	2		51	35				
Maple Grove	Doil Wiles, R1, Hays 28635	1	7	8	23	3		42	25		3		
Mount Pisgah	Gwendolyn Miles & Linda Harrold, Traphill 28685												
Mt. Zion	John W. Shepherd, R1, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	3	2	10	2		18	10				
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659			12	15								
Mountain View	Paul W. Gregory, Hays 28635		12	8	20	1		41	20				
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R1, Roaring River 28669					2							
Oak Ridge	Sherrill Bryant, Hays 28635												
Pine View	Bill Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	1	3	12	1		19	10				
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Y. Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621			12	30								
Pleasant View	Henry Bryant, Jr., Thurmond 28683												
Roaring Gap	Roy Baker, Rt. 1, Box 83, Traphill 28685												
Rock Springs	Gail Woodie, McGrady 28649												
Stony Ridge	Justus Bauguess, R1, Traphill 28685		5	15	30								
Traphill	Mrs. Lawrence Holbrook, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621		4	2	10			16	9				
Union	Virgil Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Wilbar 28696												
Walnut Grove	Gary Handy, R1, Hays 28635												
TOTALS		27	60	118	267	16		360	221		16		

TABLE G—TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES AND STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

CHURCHES	CHURCH TREASURER'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Number of tithers	Budget prom. emphasis used: None	Budget prom. emphasis used: Forward prog.	Budget prom. emphasis used: Other	Coop. prog. goal % of budget	Assc. mis. % of budget	Tot. tithes, all offerings, and spec. gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed this year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction past year	Debt retirement	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Baptist Home	R. S. Absher, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	60	*			14		33,394		33,394		9,380		3,600	13,936	26,916
Benham	Claude Settle, R2, Elkin 28621	11						12,615	50	12,665		5,525			6,179	11,704
Center	S. B. Absher, Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659	20				6		20,438		20,438		5,665		2,811	13,163	21,639
Dehart	Mrs. Bradley Rhoades, McGrady 28649	1	*					4,245		4,245		625	5,818		439	6,882
Elk Spur																
Fairplains	J. Boyden Johnson, 19 School St., N. Wilkesboro 28659	50	*			6	3	33,000	23,000	56,000	20,800	14,735	41,000	2,000	13,000	70,735
Haymeadow	Mrs. Sue Myers, R5, Box 641-C, N. Wilkesboro 28659							10,511		10,511		5,223	110	1,560	2,502	9,395
Knobbs	Mrs. Dorothy Harris, R2, Box 169, Elkin 28621							3,360		3,360		660	1,000		1,025	2,685
Maple Grove	Jerry D. Carter, P.O. Box 32, Hays 28635	12	*			1	1.8	11,155		11,155	8,082	3,671	1,368	1,259	2,998	9,296
Mount Pisgah	Alice Billings, R1, Box 205, Traphill 28685	4	*					5,153		5,153		2,214	1,076		974	4,264
Mount Zion	Mrs. Mildred Shumate, R1, Box 135, N. Wilkesboro 28659	3	*				3	2,897		2,897		757	60	1,096	799	2,712
Mountain Valley	Sylvan Kilby, R1, Millers Creek 28651							8,636		8,636		3,366			4,604	7,970
Mountain View	Mrs. Jack Johnson	15	*			.1	1.5	15,570		15,570		5,793			3,011	8,804
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669		*			.4	.3	5,551		5,551		3,390			1,256	4,646
Oak Ridge	Jane Shumate, Hays 28635	6	*					4,750				1,920			2,650	4,570
Pine View	Mrs. Jeanette Bumgarner, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659		*					10,321		10,321		4,680			3,228	7,908
Piney Grove																
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Alene Luffman, R1, Box 85, State Road 28676	22			*	4	2	32,026		32,026		7,024	1,570	13,074	9,081	30,749
Pleasant View	Mrs. Martha Bryant, State Road 28676	14							13,112	13,112		3,180	6,751	8,251	3,330	23,013
Roaring Gap	Mrs. W. R. DeJournette, R1, Traphill 28685	11			*			9,822		9,822		5,220		850	2,581	8,651
Rock Springs	Sylvia Haynes, McGrady 28649							3,908		3,908		1,551			785	2,336
Stony Ridge	Guy Blevins, R1, Box 139, Hays 28635							2,990		2,990	1,450	1,100	1,520	1,245	3,290	7,155
Traphill	Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685							2,055		2,055		806			1,088	1,894
Union	Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, R2, Wilbar 28696	4	*					4,596		4,596		2,960		458	865	4,013
Walnut Grove	Mrs. B. J. Blevins, R1, Box 271, N. Wilkesboro 28659		*					3,770		3,770		725			1,402	2,127
TOTALS		233						240,763	36,162	263,813	30,332	90,170	60,273	36,204	92,186	280,060

TABLE H—MISSION EXPENDITURES 1971

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERK'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Ch. Sponsored MISSIONS			COOPERATIVE MISSIONS												
		Money paid out on new const. during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions Program	Designated: State missions	Desig.: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Of.)	Desig.: SBC For. Missions (incl. Lottie Moon offering)	Desig. Christian Educ. (Schools, etc.)	Designated: children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: hospitals	Designated: homes for the aged	Designated: all other (Bible Soc., Temp. League, etc.)	Total Cooperative mission expenditures	Grand Total mission expenditures
Baptist Home	Mrs. Sybil Gambill, Rt. 1, Box 521, N. Wilkes 28659				4522	650		37	502		200	200			6111	6111
Benham	Mrs John Jackson, Rt. 2, Box 149-A, Elkin 28621				248	180	100	168	311	50	152	202	81	677	2169	2169
Center	Mrs. Imogene Osborne, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659				880	325	20	23	226	5	20	50	47		1596	1596
Dehart	Mrs. Maxine Shumate, McGrady 28649				32							80			112	112
Elk Spur	Cora Lee Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668															
Fairplains	Bill M. Pruitt, R5, Box 364, N. Wilkesboro 28659				1400	550	77	480	1400	8	60	60	25		4060	4060
Haymeadow	Barney Harrold, Rt. 1, Hays 28635		190	190		180					90	102	92	400	864	1054
Knobbs	Link Spicer, Rt. 2, Box 188, Elkin 28621					70			47		20	62	15	300	494	494
Maple Grove	C. W. Elledge, Rt. 1, Box 290, Hays 28635				63	180	18	76	137	14	27	36	12	16	579	579
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, Rt. 1, Box 198, Traphill 28685				50	25					25	25			125	125
Mount Zion	Mrs. Sue Shumate, P.O. Box 715, N. Wilkesboro 28659				42	77			10		15	12			156	156
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, R5, Box 614, N. Wilkesboro 28659				80	145		75	152		30	36			518	518
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635				160	200	15	165	400	15	40	54	10	15	1074	1074
New Light	Mrs. Homer Shepherd, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669				120	120		37	50	30	42	57	21		478	478
Oak Ridge	W. F. Roope, Hays 28635					60						35			95	95
Pine View	Gilmer Rhoades, Rt 1, North Wilkesboro 28659				440	110			358			90			998	998
Piney Grove																
Pleasant Ridge	James F. Luffman, R1, Box 85, State Road 28676				530	300	100	190	450	13	105	100	55		1843	1843
Pleasant View	Mrs. Earl W. Royall, R1, Box 160, State Road 28676				483	120			30		100	75	50	386	1244	1244
Roaring Gap	W. R. DeJournette, Rt. 1, Box 84, Traphill 28685				34	144			830			192	171	156	1161	2688
Rock Springs	Fay Royster, McGrady 28649				10	60					25				95	95
Stony Ridge	Guy Blevins, R1, Box 139, Hays 28635															
Traphill	Mrs. Roy Billings, Traphill 28685				96	80	10		25	10	10	25	10		266	266
Union	Mrs. W. R. Calloway, Rt. 2, Wilbar 28696				10	100						36	51	25	222	222
Walnut Grove	R. J. Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 238, Hays 28635					50		144			226	100		25	545	545
TOTALS			190	190	9200	3726	340	1395	4928	145	1187	1629	640	2000	23644	26582

TABLE I—SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	CHAIRMAN OF DEACONS' NAME AND ADDRESS	No. church-type missions started during the year	No. church-type missions currently operating	No. other-type missions started during the year	No. other-type missions currently operating	Committees existing during the year: Church property and space	Stewardship	History	Missions	Public Relations	Does Church Have or Observe?: Kindergarten	Library	Recreation staff	State paper in budget	Ch. Council/Cabinet	Weekday child care	Television ministry	Radio Ministry	Department or class for the mentally retarded	Life Commitment Sunday	Race Relations Sunday	Does church participate in Annuity Board Prog.?: Y	N	If Yes, Check staff positions Included: Pastor	Assistant pastor	Minister of education	Mus. dir. or Song leader	Other staff	Does ch. plan or contemplate a major building program within the year?: Y	N	No. ordained for Gospel ministry during the year	No. of deacons	No. of college stuents baptized during the year
Baptist Home	Gwyn Caudill, N. Wilkesboro R1. 28659					*							*	*	*																	15	
Benham	Ernest Byrd, R2, Box 150, Elkin 28621											*										*		*								6	
Center	Bobby Fender, R1, N Wilkesboro 28659					*																										3	
Dehart	Odell Handy, McGrady 28649																																
Elk Spur																																	
Fairplains	Russell McLean, 25 Sunset Dr., N. Wilkes. 28659							*	*			*	*	*	*							*		*								2	
Haymeadow	Johnny Myers, R1, Hays 28635					*												*														3	
Knobbs	C. S. Lyon, R1, Traphill 28685											*																				2	
Maple Grove	James Harrold, R1, Hays 28635					*									*							*		*									
Mount Pisgah	L G. Billings, R1, Box 198, Traphill 28685																																
Mount Zion	John W. Shepherd, R1, Box 493, N. Wilkes 28659											*																					
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659					*						*										*		*								9	
Mountain View	Commie Hayes, Hays 28635					*																*		*									
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669																																
Oak Ridge	Minor Byrd, Hays 28635																					*		*								8	1
Pine View	J. P. Adams, R1, McGrady 28649																					*		*									
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621													*	*			*			*	*		*								9	
Pleasant View	Harvey Harris, State Road 28676											*										*		*									
Roaring Gap	J. D. Nickolson, R1, Thurmond 28683												*																			8	
Rock Springs	Montie Reeves, McGrady 28649																														*	5	
Stony Ridge	Justus Bauguess, R1, Traphill 28685																															7	
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R2, Elkin 28621																																
Union	Frank Huffman, R1, Wilbar 28696					*																*		*								6	
Walnut Grove	Everette Hanks, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659																															5	
																																88	1

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

B
286.9756
M66 Sto

MINUTES

OF THE

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

BAPTIST HOME CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 22, 1972

MOUNTAIN VIEW CHURCH

NIGHT SESSION, SEPTEMBER 22, 1972

AND

DEHART CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 23, 1972

SEVENTY-SIX ANNUAL SESSION

THEME

SPIRITUAL REVIVAL NOW

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONE MOUNTAIN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WILL BE HELD WITH

FAIRPLAINS CHURCH, NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C., RT. 1

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1973, 10:00 A. M.

ROARING GAP CHURCH, THURMOND, N. C.

FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 21, 1973, 7:30 P. M.

PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH, STATE ROAD, N. C.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1973, 10:00 A. M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Associational Director 3, 4
List of Messengers 5
Associational Budget 1972-73 6
Constitution 6, 7, 8, 9
Rules of Order 9, 10
Articles of Faith 10
Proceedings 11, 12
Moderator's Report 12
Clerk's Report 12
Treasurer's Report 13
Superintendent of Missions Report 13, 14
Sunday School Report 14
Report on Vacation Bible Schools 14
Christian Training Report 15
Woman's Missionary Union Report 15
Report of the Committee on Nominations 16
Baptist Children's Homes of N. C. 16, 17
Baptist Hospital Report 17
North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging 17, 18
Temperance Report 18
Pastor Church Relationship 18, 19
Constitution Amendment 19, 20
Report on Christian Education 20
The Cooperative Program Report 21
Missions Report 21
Periodicals Report 21, 22
Annuity Board Report 22
N. C. Baptist Foundation 22, 23
Library Report 23
Report on Time, Place and Preacher 23, 24
Report of the Resolutions Committee 24
In Memoriam 25
Ordained Ministers Who Are Not Pastors in the Association. . . 25
Ministers Licensed During The Year 25
Licensed Ministers 25
New Pastors 25
Our Beloved Dead 26
Calendar for the Stone Mountain Association 1972-73. . 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Statistical Tables 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 3-, 39
Map 40

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY 1972-73

Moderator . . . . . Rev. Glenn Huffman, Rt. 1, Wilbar 28696
Vice-Moderator . .Rev. Fred Joines, Rt. 5 Box 699, North Wilkesboro 28659
Clerk . . . . . S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, North Wilkesboro 28659
Treasurer . . . . . Rev. Bill L. Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Chairman of Evangelism . . . Rev. George B. Hyler Sr., Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Superintendent of Missions . . .

HEADS OF THE ORGANIZATIONS

Ministers Conference . . . . . Rev. Bill L. Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Sunday School . . . . . Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Church Training . . Floyd Coffey, Rt. 5 Box 571, North Wilkesboro 28659
Music . . . . . James R. Rhoades, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
W.M.U. . . . . Mrs. Bill L. Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Librarian . . . . . Mrs. Ralph Huff, 310 South Street, Elkin 28621
Brotherhood . . . . . Denver Holcomb, Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683
General Board . . . . . Burr Hutchinson, 140 Oakland Drive, Elkin 28621

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee is made up of the General Officers, Heads of the Organizations, all Pastors and one member from each church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Fred Joines . . . . . Rt. 5 Box 699, North Wilkesboro 28659
Rev. G. B. Crabb . . . . . Rt. 1, Traphill 28685
Ralph Collins . . . . . Rt. 1, State Road 28676

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Odell Whittington . . . . . Wilbar 28696
Rev. David Cockerham . . . . . Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Gradon Foster . . . . . Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Dewey Nickolson . . . . . Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Rev. Major Caudill . . . . . Rt. 1, McGrady 28649
Rev. E. R. Wiles . . . . . Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683
V. D. Woodruff . . . . . Hays 28635

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Rev. John West . . . . . Wilkesboro 28697
Bramlett Carter . . . . . .Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
C. C. Blevins . . . . . Rt. 5, North Wilkesboro 28659

PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR 1973

Rev. George Hyler, Sr. . . . . Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Bill L. Pruitt . . . . . Box 84, Hays 28635
Rev. Julius Blevins . . . . . Rt. 2 Box 244-A, North Wilkesboro 28659
Claude Settle . . . . . Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Amos Lyon . . . . . Rt. 2, Elkin 28621

HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE

Claude Settle . . . . . Rt. 2, Elkin 28621

HOMES FOR THE AGING REPRESENTATIVE

Odell Whittington . . . . . Wilbar 28696

CHILDREN'S HOME REPRESENTATIVE

Rev. Julius Blevins . . . . . Rt. 2 Box 244-A, North Wilkesboro 28659

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS
FOR 1972-73

Director . . . . . Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Teaching Improvement Director . . . . . V. D. Woodruff, Hays 28635
V.B.S. Director . . . . . Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Extension Activities Dir....George Elledge, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Pre-School Dir. . . . Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, North Wilkesboro 28659
Children's Director . . . . . Ralph Collins, State Road 28676
Youth Director . . . . . Mrs. Henry Bryant, State Road 28676
Adult Director . . . . . .
Records Assistant . . . . . C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, North Wilkesboro 28659
Group Directors Group 1 . . . Clyde Sloop, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Group 2 . . . . . Rev. Lester Johnson, Rt. 1, Hays 28635
Group 3 . . . . . Rev. G.B. Crabb, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685

ASSOCIATIONAL CHURCH TRAINING OFFICERS

Director . . . . . Floyd Coffey, Rt. 5, Box 571, North Wilkesboro 28659
Associate Director . . . . . Jerry Kilby, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651
Secretary . . . . . Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, North Wilkesboro 28659
Chorister . . . . . .
Pianist . . . . . Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, North Wilkesboro 28659
Pastor Advisor . . . . . Rev. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Attendance Leader . . Mrs. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Adult Director . . . S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, North Wilkesboro 28659
Youth Director . . . Rev. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Children's Director . . .
Pre-School Director . . . Mrs. Eldon Gentry, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669

ASSOCIATIONAL W.M.U. OFFICERS

W.M.U. Director . . . . . Mrs. Mary Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
W.M.U. Assistant Director . . . . . Mrs. Willye Dancy, Hays 28635
Baptist Women Director . .Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2 Box 12-A, Elkin 28621
Baptist Young Women Dir. .Mrs. Hilda Bryant, Rt. 1 Box 19, Thurmond 28683
Acteens Director . Mrs. Sybil Brown, Rt. 1 Box 416,North Wilkesboro 28659
Girls In Action Dir..Mrs. Mable Gentry, Rt. 1 Box 93, Roaring River 28669
Mission Friends Dir..Mrs. Nona Blevins, Legion Drive, N. Wilkesboro 28659

ASSOCIATIONAL MINISTERS CONFERENCE

President . . . . . Rev. Bill L. Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635
Vice-President . . . Rev. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Secretary . .Rev. Julius Blevins, Rt. 2 Box 255-A, North Wilkesboro 28659
Social Director . . . . . Rev. Amos Lyon, Rt. 2 Box 148-A, Elkin 28621
Program Committee.Rev. Fred Joines, Rt, 5 Box 699, North Wilkesboro 28659
Rev. Burr Holcomb, 232 Mineral Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Baptist Home . . . . . Mr. & Mrs. Wade Barlow

Benham . . . . . Mr. & Mrs. Claude Settle, Mr. Wayne Pardue

Center . . . . . Bobby Fender, George Elledge, O. C. Barnes

Dehart . . . . Mrs. Bradley Rhoades, Mrs. Dean Walker, Mr. R. P. Miles Rude Handy, Mrs. Irene Blevins, Mrs. Margie Pierce

Elk Spur . . . . . Boyd Caudill, Quincy Royal, Hardin Royal

Fairplains . . Mrs. C. C. Gambill, Mrs. Bessie Dancy, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Hayes, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Elledge, Mrs. Sybil Brown, Kathy Brown

Knobbs . . . . . C. S. Lyon, Mrs. Dorothy Harris, Mrs. Maxine Lyon

Maple Grove . . . . . Mrs. Imogene Farrington, Mrs. Dora Childress Mrs. Nona Blevins

Mount Pisgah . . . . . L. G. Billings, C. A. Absher, Jim Miles Johnnie Miles, John A. Absher, Jesse Miles

Mount Zion . . . . . Everette Shumate, Cyrus Shumate, Albert Byrd

Mountain Valley . . . Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Reavis, Ancil Faw, Gradon Foster Joe Faw, Doug Souther

Mountain View . . . . Bruce Dearman, Vernon Woodruff, Mary Jane Pendry

New Light . . . Mrs. Della Carter, Clifton Prevette, Johnny Richardson Aldean Jolly, Jerry Garris, Don Yarboro

Pine View . . . . . Mrs. Jeanette Bumgarner, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Mrs. Evelyn Rhoades, Stephen Bumgarner, Mrs. Jackie Brown Mrs. Peggy Absher

Pleasant Ridge . . . . Mr. & Mrs. B. W. Carter, Loten Adams, Rev. & Mrs. George Hyler, Sr., Mrs. Winfrey Luffman, Mrs.Lois Hutchison

Pleasant View . . . Mr. & Mrs. Paul Mounce, Rev. & Mrs. E. C. Burchette Mr. & Mrs. Ether Cockerham

Roaring Gap . . . . . Earl Burke, Gilmer Pardue, Rev. Billy Wiles Dewey Nickolson, Richard Blackburn

Rock Springs . . . . . Wallace Royster, Barney Shumate, Jettie Shumate Dessie Taylor, Earl Hayes, A. V. Hall

Stony Ridge . . . . . Ford Cothern, Rev. Gaither Crabb, Jerry Brooks

Traphill . . . . . Von Pruitt, Mrs. Fred Brown, Mrs. R. C. Pruitt Lawrence Holbrook, Mrs. Leon Holbrook

Union . . . . . .Frank Huffman, Odell Whittington, Mrs. Jesse South Mrs. Dare Palmer

Walnut Grove . . . . Mrs. Sue Pruitt, Mrs. Mary Blevins, Stephen Pruitt

Welcome Home..Judy Hall, Ella Mae Sparks, Judy Sparks, Rev. Burr Holcome Edgar Norman, Mildred Norman, Alton Cauddle, Bobby Brown, and Margie Brown

ASSOCIATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1972-73

Superintendent of Missions, Salary	$ 3,600.00
Superintendent of Missions, Expenses	780.00
Annuity Board (Retirement)	400.00
Convention Expenses (Baptist State Convention and Evangelistic Conference)	125.00
Cost of Minutes (Estimated)	400.00
Associational Sunday School Department	75.00
Associational Training Union Department	50.00
Associational W.M.U. Department	50.00
Associational Brotherhood Department	15.00
Associational Music Department	15.00
Minister's Conference	25.00
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Supplies	40.00
Evangelism	100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Total	$ 5,825.00

Amount Expected from Churches	$ 4,850.00
Amount Expected from State Convention	975.00
Total	$ 5,825.00

THE CONSTITUTION FOR STONE MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I = NAME

This association shall be known as The Stone Mountain Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of the officers of the Association, Pastors of the churches affiliated therewith, ordained ministers, and Messengers from the churches that have been received into the fellowship of the Association, and that continue Baptist in faith and practice, and that cooperate with the association, and support the agencies of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Amendment - Each Church with a resident membership of two hundred or less shall be entitled to three elected messengers, and those having more than two hundred resident members shall have an elected messenger for each hundred or major fraction thereof beyond the first two hundred resident members, but not exceed a total of ten elected messengers.

Section 1-a We will not receive any church into our fellowship that practices or consents to practice baptism by any method(s) other than immersion or who receives or agrees to receive anyone into their fellowship by letter or any other method(s), who have been baptized by any method(s) other than immersion.

If any church within our Association should violate this constitution by practicing or agreeing to practice baptism by any method other than immersion, or receive or agree to receive members by letter or any other means, who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, shall be considered in violation of our constitution and upon such knowledge of this fact said church will be notified by our Executive Committe of their violation and placed on one year probation and instructed to correct such violation within this year and report said action to the Association. Failure to take any of said action would result in their dismissal from the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in our first annual meeting following this one year probation period.

Section 2. All visiting Brethren shall be seated and given the privilege of discussion, but will not be allowed to vote.

Section 3. Newly constituted churches shall become members of this association upon their adoption of this Constitution and two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 4. The Association may at any time dissolve connection with any church that becomes herterdox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter for two consecutive sessions without sufficient reason, or that ceases to be missionary in practice. The support of the causes fostered by the denomination at large and of this Association in particular shall be the test of each Church as a missionary body.

Article III—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to devise and promote measures for increasing the harmony and spiritual power of the Churches within our bounds, and to promote and develop their eneggies in advancing God's Kingdom throughout the earth in compliance with the teachings of the New Testament and in cooperation with the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Article IV—ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS AND MEETINGS

Section 1. The Churches shall report annually not only the statistical information for any facts concerning their general welfare. The clerk shall furnish each church with printed forms for their annual report at least six weeks before the annual meeting of the Association, and the Churches are requested to have these reports returned to the clerk at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place or places as may be agreed upon.

Section 3. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article V—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Officers of the body shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer. Associational Missionary, and the heads of the organizations as set forth; 1. Sunday School; 2. Training Union; 3. Woman's Missionary Union; 4. Brotherhood; 5. Music; 6. Ministers' Conference.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at Meetings of business; to keep order during each session, to decide questions of order and to perform other duties pertaining to the office. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator shall perform these duties.

Section 3. The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and they shall be fraternal visitors to the Churches throughout the year.

Section 4. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body, furnish the churches with blank letter forms, supervise the printing of the minutes, and distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association, and shall disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purpose for which the funds were contributed. He shall render an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements to the budget committee upon request, and to the Association at its annual meeting.

Article VI—COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committees of the Association shall be:

(a) Executive; (b) Program; (3) Arrangements; (d) Nominating; (e) Time, Place, Preacher; (f) Resolutions; (g) Budget.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee and its chairman shall consist of three members, and shall be appointed by the Moderator at the beginning of the first session of the Association. This committee shall, as soon as possible, meet and assign the members of the various committees, and name the standing committees and their chairmen. Also, it shall name any other committee assigned to it.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association as set forth in Article V, Section 1. Also the pastor and one member of each Church. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall be stated officers of the committee.

Section 4. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five brethren, besides the Moderator and Clerk. It shall be the duty of this committee to make all plans for each annual meeting of the Association; to consider all letters of grievances or queries, together with letters from corresponding associations or our State Baptist Board requiring any attention thereon, and to report same back to the Association. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise Lordship over God's heritage but shall be considered as an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

Section 5. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare the order of business for their annual meetings. Printed copies of the suggested order or business shall be distributed to those attending the opening sessions of the Association. The Chairman shall be designated by the Nominating Committee. Time shall be allotted for reports on the following subjects: Missions; Education; Orphanage; Temperance; Sunday Schools; Periodicals; Minister's Retirement; Home for the Aging; Pastoral and Church Relations; Training Union; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood; Evangelism; Music; Time, Place and Preacher; and any other reports the Association deems necessary. The Program Committee will assign and contact all persons that are to give reports at the Annual Associational Meeting, not later than June 1.

Section 6. The Associational Missionary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee at any annual session of the Association or any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. His/Her election shall be by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers or members present. He/She shall serve until the relationship is terminated by mutual consent.

He/She shall have the same relationship to the organizations of the Association as a pastor has to the organizations of the church.

He/She shall lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Executive Committee.

He/She shall promote the whole program of the Association, the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

He/She shall act as an ex-officio member of the Committees of the Association as listed in Article VI, Section 1.

His/Her work shall be under the direction of the Association and Executive Committee.

He/She shall have administrative supervision of such work as may be assigned him/her by the Association.

Section 7. The officers of the Associational Sunday School, the Associational Training Union, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union, the Associational Brotherhood, and the Associational Music Department shall be elected by their respective organizations at the last meeting in the Associational year by their own methods. The list of officers will be furnished the Nominating Committee, who shall present them to the Association for approval at the time of the election of the officers of the Association. Those persons elected for officers in these organizations will serve in cooperation with the officers already serving until they are approved by the Association, at which time they shall assume full responsibility of office. All persons nominated for office in the Association will be contacted, personally, prior to the election of officers.

Section 8. The officers shall assume their duties at the close of the Associational meeting at which they are elected and shall serve until the close of the next annual session, with the exception of the Clerk. The Clerk shall assume his duties at the beginning of the session at which he is elected and shall serve until his successor is elected at the next annual session.

Section 9. The Budget Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. The Moderator shall serve as Chairman. This committee shall meet before the annual meetings of the Association and prepare a budget to cover all anticipated needs of the Association for the next Associational year. The committee will cause the budget to be printed and distributed to the members at the annual meeting. The committee will suggest a pro rata share of the budget for each church affiliated with the association for their consideration and approval.

Article VII—MINISTERS

Each Church having ordained or licensed ministers shall report the same to the Association in order that their names may be compiled in the minutes.

Article VIII—CHANGE

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed change be read to the Association during the first day of the annual meeting — the churches having previously been notified.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and only one member shall speak at a time.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject and shall use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. No member shall speak more than twice upon one subject except by permission of the body.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association. nor whisper in time of public speech.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation than that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the clerk as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled, and he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any person who shall willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1st. We believe in only one true and living God; Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd We beliebe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted and regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subject of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode is by immersion.

7th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

8th. We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS

The Seventy-Sixth annual session of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association held with Baptist Home, Mountain View, and Dehart Churches, was well attended and much interest shown.

Friday's session at Baptist Home was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Glenn Huffman, pastor of Union Church. The Call to Worship was observed by the congregation singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer", directed by Jim Rhoades, choir director of Haymeadow Baptist Church. Rev. Frank Sitton welcomed the large assembly of members and many visitors, in a very spiritual attitude, closing with prayer.

Rev.Howard Hodges, pastor of Center Church was in charge of devotions speaking from Rom. 13:11 "High Time We Awake", was in line with the theme of the associational meeting, "Spiritual Revival Now", closing with prayer.

Roll Call of the churches was given, messengers were seated and visitors welcomed, recognition of special guest and pastors followed, sixteen being present. Including those representing various phases of Baptist of the state convention.

Welcome Home Church in the Traphill community being under the watch care of the association, was received in full fellowship. The pastor, Rev. Burr Holcomb,along with messengers and members were recognized.

Reports were heard from N. C. Baptist Foundation, Church Literature,, and Annuity Board, Giving these were C. M. Royal, Mrs. R. C. Pruitt and Clifton Prevette. Speakers for the reports were Bob Bruhn, Woodrow Hill and Sloan Guy.

We regret that the Northlanders were not present to render special music as scheduled on the program.

Annual message brought by Rev. Julius Blevins was on the subject, "If My People Will Return and Humble Themselves, I Will Hear Their Prayers and Heal Their Land". He closed the message from 2nd. Chron. with prayer giving thanks for the bountous lunch served by the host church.

Friday afternoon session was moderated by Rev. C. Frank Sitton serving in the absence of the moderator who was called away to conduct a funeral. A congregational hymn was sung.

Rev. Howard Hodges was again the devotional leader speaking on the theme, "Spiritual Revival Now", brought a strong challenge to all christians to be ready to serve and witness.

An amendment to the associational constitution, was offered by Rev. Bill L. Pruitt, to be voted on in the second day's session outlined in constitution for presenting amendments.

Reports were heard from Childrens Home, N. C. Baptist Hospital and Odell Whittington, speakers were Calvin Knight, W. A. Poole and Rev. J. Parker McLendon, after which the congregation sang "God Be With You". Officers for the new year were elected and vote taken on the book of reports which was favorable. Rev. B. C. Owenby, a former pastor in the association, followed, speaking the benediction.

Friday night session held at Mountain View Church opened with the singing of "Blessed Be the Name", led by Bruce Dearman,Rev. Minter Blevins, interm pastor, called on B. C. Owenby, former pastor, to lead prayer and say the words of welcome. He also had devotional, which was very appropriate to the subject from lst Tim. 2.

Rev. Howard Hodges closed with prayer. Reports were given on Christian Education, Cooperative program and Missions. Giving these reports were Margie Blevins, Rev. Bill L. Pruitt and Rev. Tommy Prevette.

A special program of songs was presented by the Ladies ensemble of

Fairplains Baptist Church.

Rev. Horace Hall of Fairplains Church, speaking from Isa. brought the Mission message followed by closing prayer.

Saturday morning session was held with Dehart church.The hymn"Amazing Grace", led by Jim Rhoades was the form of opening. Rev. Julius Blevins pastor of the host church, spoke the words of welcome and led prayer.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. John West, he spoke,from 2 Tim. and Rom. 10: 1-2,timely words expounding the theme "Spiritual Revival Now."

The clerk read a letter from Oak Ridge church stating said church had voted to withdraw from the association. After discussion a motion was made to grant their request, it was so ordered.

Reports on Temperance, and Pastor and Church Relationship were heard. Rev. John West gave the temperance report, Rev. Frank Sitton gave a stirring report on Pastor and Church relationship.

The proposed amendment to the constitution introduced in Friday's session was opened for discussion, after which a vote was taken, the amendment was adopted.

Under miscellaneous reports the associational missions committees chairman were named for the coming world mission conference to be held in April 1973, in many churches of the association.

Rev. Larry Beaver, pastor, Maple Grove Church, gave a touching tribute in the memoriam report of deceased members, Rev. Mace Johnson offered prayer.

The resolutions committee thanked the host churches and all for making a successful meeting possible.

Rev. Amos Lyon who has served as Superintendent of Missions, offered his resignation effective Dec. 31, 1972. He stated that it had been an enjoyable time for him while serving. He did this believing that God had called him to the New Light Church, as pastor.

Rev. Clarence Brown brought the closing message subject: "The Whole Armor" speaking from Eph. 11:15. Closing prayer and thanks for the delicious meal was spoken by a visiting minister Rev. Earl Adams.

So closed the Seventy-Sixth Session of the Stone Mountain Baptist.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

I would like to thank you for your cooperation in the Association during the past year. The support and attendance for our Associational programs in the past year has been fairly good.

The program for World Missions Conference has been accepted by most churches in our Association. Our hope that this conference will bring about a greater awareness of news of Missions throughout the world.

Thank you for all you have done in the past year. If I can be of any help in the future, be sure to call on me.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. GLENN HUFFMAN, MODERATOR

CLERK'S REPORT

Letters and Messengers were received from all but one of the twenty six churches in the association.

Data for the minutes was prepared and sent to the printers in October. We received the printed copies, which were delivered to the Churches before the years end, also copies were mailed to all departments, Institutions and individuals on our mailing list.

I have met with the officers and committees of the Association at various times to conduct business which came up for consideration.

I wish to thank each and everyone for their cooperation, and consideration shown me as your clerk. It is a pleasure and a privilege to serve you.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
S. B. ABSHER, CLERK

TREASURER'S REPORT
1971-72

BEGINNING BALANCE -- 1970--71	$ 264.90
RECEIPTS: 1971-72	
Total received from churches	3,980.00
Total received from State Convention	843.00
Total received from churches (minutes)	417.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$ 5,240.50
TOTAL RECEIVED AND BEGINNING BALANCE	5,505.40
DISBURSEMENTS -- 1971 - 1972	
Missionary"s	$ 3,600.00
Missionary's Expenses	780.00
Annuity Board (Retirement)	400.08
Convention Expenses	125.00
Cost of Minutes	397.46
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Expenses	4.00
DEPARTMENT EXPENSES	
V.B.S.	12.00
Training Union	00
W.M.U.	27.50
Brotherhood	00
Music	00
Minister's Conference	16.00
Evangelism	00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 5,462.04
BALANCE IN TREASURY (SEPT. 15, 1972)	$ 43.36

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

BILL L. PRUITT, TREASURER

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS REPORT

Another year has brought us many opportunities of service with the people of the Stone Mountain Association, of which we have found great joy in serving.

In the past year I have visited all the churches in the association with a total of 112 visits, attended 27 associational meetings, spoke 42 times in worship services, attended 1 State-Wide Superintendent of mission Conference. Showed 9 Film Strips, arranged for World Missions Conference for April 1973, had 14 committments from the churches, made programs for 6 associational meetings, helped to promote 22 Vacation Bible Schools in our association, had 134 conferences with individual groups, and committees, attended 22 meetings and conferences outside the association. Made 5500 monthly newsletters, traveled approximately 11,053 miles.

Also this year we have been handicapped a great deal with sickness in our family. The work that we have tried to do this year has been greatly blessed by the mercies of God.

I have had full cooperation with all Departments and leaders of the association and great fellowship with all the people that I have worked with and thank you for all the cooperation. May God richly bless you in your work in the coming year.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
AMOS LYON
SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT
1971-72

I have traveled approximately 600 miles through the association this past year and have visited approximately 90% of the churches in the association.

In February I attended the Real Life Conference in Lenoir,which was led by Leaders from the Baptist Sunday School Board in Raleigh, I then brought this knowledge back to our associa ion and led one of the Conferences held at Maple Grove in March. In August I attended a Sunday School Briefing meeting at Ridgecrest. To my knowledge I have attended all meetings of our association this year.

My recommendations for the coming year are that each church member and especially the officers and teachers, make a genuine effort to get at least one new person in church. If everyone will put forth their best efforts for God, we will see a big rise in church attendance. It might suprise many of you to know that the N. C. Baptist Association lost 70,000 members last year. I think this will help us to realize that we have not been doing our best.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
J. WAYNE PARDUE
SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

It has been my privilege and honor to be the VBS Director of the Stone Mountain Association for the past year and have thouroughly enjoyed the opportunity to be involved and help people get involved in a most sincere way.

VBS is a vital section of the church program. Its concern is to reach boys and girls from birth through high school. After we reach them we have the burden and concern to teach the Bible.

Real Bible truths are implanted in the minds and hearts of these young people. This makes us realize even more the responsibility of reaching them and realizing that they are the churches of tomorrow. What we teach them will be our churches of tomorrow.

As we began the year, we set a goal for all the churches having a VBS School and even trying to have 2 additional schools. The final tally of school were 21 out of 26 churches and 1 mission school. The enrollment was 1932 with a number of professions of faith and dedications.

Let us start right now planning for next year and years after, to have the greatest that we have ever had.

God's hand is on VBS if we continue to let it be so.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
LARRY DEAN BEAVER

CHRISTIAN TRAINING REPORT

Another year has almost passed and as we come to the end of the year we look back over the past year with mixed emotions. Some things we are glad about, that was done, others we would have liked to see done.

We had fair attendance at "M" Night, which was held at Pine View Church. Also our Youth Night service held at Center Church.We had good attendance from the youth of our churches. A very interesting program was given by a Youth Group from Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in the Elkin Association.

We are looking forward in the future to more interest in Christian Training in our Association.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
FLOYD COFFEY, DIRECTOR
CHRISTIAN TRAINING

W M U REPORT
1971-72

What would Baptists do without Missions? And where would Missions be without Women's Missionary Union? Any church that has an active WMU can be sure that WMU is leading in Missions. Baptists have always been a Missionary people. A zeal for the sharing of the Gospel has made us what we are. Without it, we would likely have remained small, weak and limited to only a few places in the United States, and in the rest of the world. Without a Missionary passion, we would likely have been turned cold or narrow and rigid.

In a day when the world is in general turmoil, and people are groping in darkness and confusion, disillusionment seems to be the rule rather than the exception. We cannot afford to be slack or level off in our commitment to missions. The Women's Missionary Union has always had the responsibility of leading Baptist churches to an awareness of world needs. The WMU has also enlisted and guided the local churches to take advantage of the opportunities that are ever present with us that is in bringing together the talents and the resources of their members and extending the spirit of compassion and concern to a needy world.

Missions advanced tomorrow depends on decisions we and our churches make today. We may narrow the mission of God's people down to the range of our own concern. Or, by contrast, we may enjoy the rich possibility of letting our lives and the ministry of our churches be stretched to the full dimensions of God's concern for all mankind.

Whether this happens often depends on the presence of a few "missions fanatice". As in the past, Women's Missionary Union Members are to be the voice of God's world-wide purpose to their own churches. They can offer a challenge in Mission action, mission study, mission prayer, and missiongiving not just to women but to the entire church fellowship

The WMU should never be disheartened because of the small number of women who are willing to take an active part in WMU work.They should be encouraged by the fact that there are always a few people who are willing to fill the "gap". These few accept responsibilities that are far greater than their individual share in order that the great work of our Lord in missions can be kept alive and passed on to generations yet unborn.

May we, the members of the WMU in the Stone Mountain Association, take on a new courage and commit ourselves to a deeper commitment of the mission challenge that Christ has committed to us. Remember!! the Lord is depending on us!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MARY PRUITT, DIRECTOR

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Your committee nominates the following named personnel to serve our Association for the ensuing year, 1972-73 in the respective positions.

1. Moderator . . . . . Rev. Glenn Huffman
2. Vice-Moderator . . . . . Rev. Fred Joines
3. Clerk . . . . . Mr. S. B. Absher
4. Treasurer . . . . . Rev. Bill L. Pruitt
5. Ministers Conference . . . . . Rev. Bill L. Pruitt
6. Music . . . . . Mr. James Rhoades
7. Sunday School . . . . . Mr. Wayne Pardue
8. VBS Director . . . . . Mrs. Wayne Pardue
9. Church Training . . . . . Mr. Floyd Coffey
10. WMU Director . . . . . Mrs. Bill L. Pruitt
11. Librarian . . . . . Mrs. Ralph E. Huff
12. Brotherhood . . . . . Mr. Denver Holcomb
13. Evangelism . . . . . Rev. George B. Hyler, Sr.
14. Hospital Representative . . . . . Mr. Claude Settle
15. Homes for the Aging Rep. . . . . Mr. Odell Whittington
16. Children's Home Rep. . . . . Rev. Julius Blevins

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. G. B. CRABB
REV. JOEL JOHNSON
MR. RALPH COLLINS

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF N. C. INC.

For the past eighty-seven years, North Carolina Baptists and their Children's Homes have cooperated in a program of Christian child care. This relationship has been characterized, on the part of the agency, by a sensitivity to real needs and a commitment to the best in child care. On the part of North Carolina Baptists, there has been a lasting commitment to child care expressed in generous and enthusiastic support of the agency's ministry.

This annual report finds the agency vigorously pursuing its basic purposes. Changing patterns of family life and the involvement of government in social ministries profoundly affect the number of children needing our care and the types of care needed. More and more we are being asked to serve children with special needs beyond neglect and dependency: emotional alienation from family; trouble with the court; borderline retardation; emotional disturbance which requires professional treatment. The urgency of the present and the challenge of the future is to find effective patterns of care for these children.

The Baptist Children's Homes will not be content to provide minimal care only. We are committed to quality care which serves the whole person, providing the experiences and relationships which can enable the child to develop his full potential. Quality care costs. It makes heavy demands on the individual staff member in his involvement with the child. It requires more staff members for the number of children served. It necessitates the purchase of supplementary professional services, such as medical and psychological specialists. But the cost is really an investment in the future of the children served, and we believe it is the best investment of life and money we can make.

The Children's Homes continues to expand and improve its services to children and their families. Two new cottages are under construction at Broyhill Home. The Ten Star Builders' Program is enlisting the sup-

port of Eastern North Carolina for Christian child care in that section of the state. Mills Home is engaged in a year-long study to determine how we can best serve the children in the Piedmont area. Across the state, renewed effort is being given to the enlistment of foster families. Expanded services to families are being initiated.

We believe this ministry of child care deserves the confidence and support of North Carolina Baptist. Our Baptist friends have demonstrated through their interest and support that they believe in what we are doing. The Cooperative Program continues to be the lifeblood of our financial support. The 1971 Thanksgiving Offering channeled $ 400,000. into our ministry of child care. Special gifts and bequests from individuals continue to provide for capital improvements, We deeply appreciate this generous support, and we pledge ourselves to continue this ministry of child care in the name of Christ and on behalf of North Carolina Baptists.

RESPECTIVELLY SUBMITTED,
REV JULIUS BLEVINS

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

As an academic Medical Center it is engaged in research and in education, as well as direct patient care. The quality of direct patient care provided at Baptist Hospital is distinct in at least two respects. First, it is a specialized type of medical care, provided for referral patients who have rare or complicated medical problems. A second distinctive of our patient care is the Christian concern for the total person with all his needs.

Baptist Hospital does continue to serve patients who cannot pay for their hospital care. Even with the tightening of admission policies and procedures, only one person in twelve months--i.e., one in approximately 17,000 applications for admissions--was not helped. In 1971, charitable allowances amounting to $1,370,000 were issued to patients unable to pay in full. The Mother's Day Offering of $371,000 helped make this charity work possible.

The hospital takes pride in its record of charitable work, but would like to help our Baptist people to understand that there are other aspects of its work also which justify its existence as an institution of our Convention and make it worthy of the support of our churches.

The operating deficit has been eliminated and the hospital is now operating "in the black."

The new patient tower is being completed and some departments have already moved into the lower levels. Complete occupation should take place by January, 1973. One additional unit, a two story unit housing the emergency room and out-patient clinic, is scheduled to be completed by 1973.

"A Medical Center ministering with skill and understanding" is not just a letterhead slogan; it is a goal which Baptist Hospital seriously strives to attain.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
CLAUDE M. SETTLE

HOMES FOR THE AGING

In our Baptist Homes for the Aging, we feel that there is no relationship more important and more blessed than the one that we have with our Baptist people in our Baptist Associations throughout the State. It is a special joy to visit personally the Associations and to have fellowship with the good people who mean so much to us in our ministry and to express to them our special thanksgiving. It is with a deep sense of gratitude to the Lord and to you that we bring this report on our Baptist Homes.

This has been the best year that we have ever had in our twenty-one years. The Special Offering for the Homes and support through the Cooperative Program reflect an encouraging increase. through these two vital sources, the Homes during the past year derived almost 30% of the total operating budget in the care of the residents and patients, with 20% coming from the offering, and 10% through the cooperative program. The most significant fact about this support from our Baptist people is that the majority of the residents in the Homes are persons with real financial needs, and these love gifts are used for their care. In fact, these gifts are a lifeline to the residents, and they could not be maintained without them. The greatest challenge to our Baptist people is to continue to increase the Special offering from year to year, and thus keep pace with the needs of the residents who depend so greatly on it.

Out Baptist Homes now operate five resident Homes, with two located in Winston-Salem, and one each in Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. These Homes have a capacity for 162 residents, in addition, there is a Nursing Care Unit, located in Winston-Salem, with a Capacity of 63. In these Homes we specialize in tender loving c re and do not know of any place this side of Heaven,and outside of one's home, where a person can receive more compassionate Christian care.

Of great significance during the past year, in May,was the dedication of the York Wing of the Nursing Care Unit. This wing,accomodating 18 additional patients was completed in November of 1971 and named in honor of Judge and Mrs. William York, of Greensboro. He and Mrs.York gave $80,000 for the construction of this new Wing, and the additional money needed was raised by the Trustees of the Homes. With this new addition, the Baptist Homes have been able to receive some few persons, on a limited basis only, directly as patients. The majority of the beds in the Nursing Care unit are used for the residents of the five Homes, When nursing care becomes necessary. We are glad that the base of our operation has been broadened to include a ministry to the aging sick person, and we can only hope that we will move forward and be able to receive more patients in the future.

Ministry to an older person is a direct ministry to Christ and is one of the finest things that North Carolina Baptists are doing. Be glad that you are a Baptist, and be grateful for the part that you are having in making the life of an aging person more abundant and more secure.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
ODELL WHITTINGTON

TEMPERANCE REPORT

We as God's people must take a stand now against the use or sale of alcoholic beverages and drugs. Drug and alcoholic users are not only ruining their lives but are separating families, friends and tearing down the spiritual life of our churches.

God's people must abstain from this deadly evil if we are to advance the Kingdom of our Lord.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. JOHN WEST

PASTOR-CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

In one of the visions of Zechariah the prophet,he saw the high priest, Joshua standing before the throne of God. The priest was clothed in a filthy garment. At the command of the Angel of God the filthy garment was taken from him and a clean white robe put upon him, this act typifying his

purification. Then the Angel of the Lord said to Joshua:"Thus saith the Lord of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways - then thou shalt also judge my house, and shall also keep my courts, and I will give the places to walk among these that stand by." (Zach. 3:7)

I believe this is the first step a preacher must take if he hopes to have a successful pastor-church relationship. Purity of life will command the respect and the following of people and will have the blessing of the Almighty God to enable the pastor to find a place to walk among these who stand by.

Where there is found the breakdown of pastor-church relationship you almost always find that there exists a condition of inpurity. Someone has put on that filthy garment that God's Angel saw upon the back of the high priest Joshua. Sometimes this garment is worn upon the mind, the appetites, the emotions, the conduct, the attitudes, the conversation, and when this is the case the pastor-church relationship soon breaks down.

The preacher and members of the church should strive to maintain harmony, peace and good-will at all times and under all conditions and should pray each day to God for grace to keep us from doing anything that would bring reproach upon the church of Christ or dishonor upon our ministry.

The story of Paul's pastor-church relationship with the Ephesian church is a goal toward which every pastor and church should strive. This was a relationship of about three years but reached beyond those three years into time and eternity. Paul could say to them "You watched me for three years; you saw me under all conditions. You know that in my life I tried to exemplify Christ". He reminded them, "For three years I warned you night and day with tears." Paul had compassion for his people. Paul spoke of the kind of preaching which he did for them, saying "I declared unto you the whole counsel of God. I kept back nothing which was profitable to you." Paul fed the people upon the Word of God,the Bread of life

When the day came for Paul to move on to another field of service we read that the elders of the church knelt down around him and Paul prayed wotj tje,- When he said, "Amen" all of them came up, and put their arms around him and wept as they kissed him good-bye. He had told them they would never see him again and their hearts were broken. Soon he boarded his ship and they stood on the shore waving farewell with the sound of weeping being heard all along the shore.

I am sure that later on when they met him in Heaven Paul took them up to the Savior and said, "Master these are the members of the Ephesus church who carried on the work of the Kingdom so nobly in that church."

We, too, have a great task. Christ's work is our work. May God help us to do it well!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. FRANK SITTON

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." With this thought in mind and knowledge of the fact that some Baptist churches in our state and county are now receiving members who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, and desiring to avoid the conflict that arises when this doctrinal issue is ignored, disregarded or broken, I present the following constitutional change for your consideration and adoption in our annual meeting on September 22-23, 1972.

THAT ARTICLE II - SECTION I (MEMBERSHIP) BE AMENDED BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING AS SECTION Ia.

We will not receive any church into our fellowship that practices or consents to practice baptism by any method(s) other than immersion or who

receives or agrees to receive anyone into their fellowship by letter or any other method(s), who has been baptized by any method(s) other than immersion.

If any church within our Association should violate this constitution by practicing or agreeing to practice baptism by any method other than, immersion, or receive or agree to receive members by letter or any other means, who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, shall be considered in violation of our constitution and upon such knowledge of this fact said church will be notified by our Executive Committee of their violation and placed on one year probation and instructed to correct such violation within this year and report said action to the Association. Failure to take any of said action would result in their dismissal from the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in our first annual meeting following this one year probation period.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. BILL L. PRUITT

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Dr. S. L. Stealey, president emeritus of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary once said, "The tripod upon which Southern Baptist have based more than one hundred years of progress has been Missions, Evangelism, and Education." One good way to weaken or endanger the whole is to shorten one leg of this tripod.

Christian education in its total meaning can also be compared to a tripod consisting of the home, the teaching program of the church, and the Christian colleges. Our Baptist Educators feel that our seven Baptist colleges and universities are not only good from an academic standpoint, but are also Christian in purpose and motivation. They operate within a framework of responsibility to achieve academic excellence while shouldering the responsibility of maintaining a Christian commitment through the entire program.

In this era of tremendously significant changes in living patterns and overwhelming demands upon the human spirit, our Baptist youth must have a faith in God which is deep enough to allow them to become what they are capable of becoming, and at the same time dedicate themselves to the Christian way of life in the vocation of their choice. Our young people need a Christian education which is the only kind that offers preparation for complete living. To keep educational opportunity financially available to all capable, worthy young people should be the goal of every Southern Baptist.

The Council of Christian Education emphasizes the fact that our North Carolina Baptist Colleges are not only producing leadership in the Christian vocations such as the ministry, missions, church music, religious education, and other church-related fields, but are also sending annually hundreds of young men and women back to their communities where they quietly take places of leadership in their local churches.

As Baptists, we must give our colleges our confidence, our love, and our support. We can do this through financial support of our Cooperative, program, through endowments, and through special gifts. In this manner we may be able to fulfill in some measure our responsibilities to some 28,000 "Baptist preference" students, over seventy percent of whom are on non-Baptist campuses.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MRS. MARGIE BLEVINS

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

Cooperation is the key to success in any endeavor. We have many special emphases and appeals in our State and Southern Baptist Convention and these serve to fulfill great needs that probably could not be met otherwise. But underneath it all is that basic on-going day by day COOPERATIVE PROGRAM that makes all other efforts possible and without which all Southern Baptist endeavors would be greatly curtailed. In the future we Southern Baptist need to be even more cooperative in prayer, Spirit, and Giving that the world may see, hear, and know the love of God as expressed in Jesus Christ. Let us so live that the world may see in us the commands, teachings and examples of our Lord, and our Compassion,Concern and Commitment in carrying out God's call into the Christian ministry. We can do this in many ways but let us not forget the basic method of working through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM in making disciples throughout the world.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. BILL L. PRUITT

MISSIONS REPORT

We have our command to be missionaries written throughout our Bible. Israel was to be a blessing to all nations by showing God's love and care. Instead of fulfilling this idea of God's they drifted into idolatry and formalism.

When Christ came into this world He showed us by example what missions really means. He never was a foreign missionary as such because He never travelled more than one hundred miles from His home. He was a Missionary in the highest order by accepting the oppertunities that were afforded Him in His everyday experiences.

The Early Church caught the vision and the fire of the missions movement and the Church was spread over all the earth. They were scattered by persecution but every where they went they told of Jesus who could save from sin and save to service in God's kingdom.

Our responsibility today is to gain this same fire and desire and spread the good news everywhere. We should be a missionary of God's where ever we are. If at work, school, vacation, at home or wherever we should be Christian in our actions and conversation. Our responsibility doesn't end here however. We have over 2,500 missionaries on foreign fields who are dependent upon us for support.

We are commanded to go to the uttermost parts of the earth and make disciples of all men. These are the marching orders of the Church. Let us give our moneys joyfully, but let us also spend many hours in prayer for those who have gone for us.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. THOMAS PRIVETTE

PERIODICALS

We should be most grateful for the Christian Literature that is available and for the freedom we have to choose the materials we read. The more time we use in worthwhile reading, the stronger and happier our lives become. There are so many publications to choose from and maybe we take them for granted. Sometimes we don't realize how much time and effort has been put into them for our good.

Needless to say, our Bible reading should come first. It is important that we choose the Baptist periodicals and literature that will be most helpful to individuals in any area of study. Home life and Open Windows

provide a daily devotional and family worship which can be used by older or younger adults. We should try to encourage the young people to become more familiar with the materials that will nourish their mind and souls. Today, more than ever before,there are so many undesirable books to tempt people to read which are expensive and the reading such a loss of time. None of our materials is too expensive.

Words are little things, but what tremendous power for good or evil they may exert. But how shall a person have something to impart which is worthwhile if he has not enriched his mind through the years? Let us strive harder in the years ahead to see that more of this kind of literature is displayed in our homes and elsewhere.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MRS. ROBERT C. PRUITT

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

On March 1, 1972, Darold H. Morgan became the president of the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention succeeding R. Alton Reed, who has been president of the Board for 19 years.

At the time Mr. Morgan became president the Annuity Board held in trust more than $292 million, as of December 31, 1971. These funds are held in trust for the 36,000 retirement plan participants.

The Board paid 25% more in benefits last year to 7,500 annuitants than their contracts required. These extra benefits were called "13 checks" and paid twice during the year, an 8-1/3% in February and another 16-2/3% in December.

The same good yield on investments that permitted extra benefits to annuitants also gave good experience credits (credits for good experience in investing) to active members of the various plans, adding value to their retirement.

The extra benefits paid through the "13 checks"amounted to $1,339.732.

During the 54 years of its existence the Annuity Board has paid out 92.1 million in benefits.

During Mr. Reed's administration the Annuity Board eliminated its "unfunded liability", meaning more benefit claims than assets. The Board is now in a position to fully meet every contract with each member, but also in a position to grant good experience credits as well.

The Annuity Board offers a protection plan for disability, death and retirement for pastors and other church staff members and denominational-agency employees. Many churches pay in full the dues for their pastor and staff.

Retirement contributions may be made on the salaries of pastors and other church personnel by one of three plans. Information on the Annuity Board may be secured by writing its development office at 512 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201 or by contacting any Annuity Board representative of the Baptist State Convention.

In the Stone Mountain Association the Association and 9 churches and 10 staff members participate in the retirement program.

Recipients of the retirement benefits are: Retired 881, Variable 59, Disability 61, Widows 146, Children 88, and Education 174.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
CLIFTON PREVETTE

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. was chartered November 24, 1920, under the laws of the state of North Carolina as a charitable corporation giving it full advantage of all tax savings as applies to such

organizations.

It was created by the Convention for the purpose of procuring and distributing endowment funds to all institutions and agencys owned and controlled by the Convention. It is independent of the cause it serves, giving those who wish to contribute through this agency the privilege of determining how, when, and where contributions shall be distributed.Gifts to this agency can be in the form of cash, securities (stocks,bonds,notes, mortgages); anything of value including real or personal property, large or small.

No one is excluded because of church affiliations, nationality, sex, or age. Contributions can be distributed in a lump sum, periodically, or held in trust with the accumulating proceeds going directly to undergird the one or more agencies supported by the Convention.

Endowments and trust can be in perpituity with accumulating dividends distributed periodically as prescribed by the donor, and remain a living memorial throughout future generations.

For further information or help contact:

North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc.
P. O. Box 26508
Raleigh, North CArolina 27611

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
C. M. ROYALL

LIBRARY REPORT

A church (or Association) has no task that cannot be carried out more effectively through the use of Library Resources. This is readily seen in Christian Education. It is, however, no less true in visiting for personal evangelism or ministry.

When Paul said, "I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some," (1 Cor. 9:22, RVS), he voiced a similar principle. Paul seemed to suggest that the Christian should exhaust every possibility-should use every conceivable means-to convince men of their need for salvation. It is our purpose in the Association to work for God through the church for the marvelous potential of using Library resources in our witnessing efforts.

There are, of course, many ways the Library can help the New Christian, the graduate on choosing a Vocation, the Children to understand better what we make an effort to teach them on Sunday morning.The Library has resources for the WMU, Brotherhood, Music department, Deacons,Pastor, Sunday School Teacher, in fact, every one in the Churches today.

It also helps us to be able to win souls for Christ, for there are many ways, and if we approach an individual wrong, we have already lost him.

It is in this cultivation of the lost (and their nurture when they are saved) that Library materials can be used to the greatest advantage.. Our effort is to show the media that the Church Library can support and add to the effectiveness of the Christian witness.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MRS. MOZELLE H. HUFF

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER

The next annual session of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association will be held as follows:

Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September 1973. Friday September 21st, 10:00 A. M., at Fairplains Church, Rev. Frank Sitton,

SPEAKER., Rev. Milton Sewell, Alternate. Friday night 7:30 P.M. Roaring Gap Church. Saturday September 22nd 10:00 A.M., Pleasant View Church Rev. George Hyler, Sr., SPEAKER, Rev. Major Caudill alternate.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. MAJOR CAUDILL
REV. E. R. WILES
V. C. WOODRUFF

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved by the Stone Mountain Baptist Association duly assembled in the Seventy-Sixth Annual Session:

1. That we extend to the pastors and members of the Baptist Home, Mountain View, and Dehart Churches our sincere appreciation for their kindness and hospitality and also to Baptist Home and Dehart for the delicious meals served.
2. That we express our gratitude to all who have taken part on the program or in any way helped to make this session of the Association a success.
3. That we express our thanks to the local papers for their support in publicizing various meetings throughout the year.
4. That we express deep gratitude to the heads of the organizations of the Association with their whole staff for their faithful service throughout the year in behalf of the Association and the cause of our Christ.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
B. W. Carter
C. C. Blevins
Rev. John West

IN MEMORIAM

Life on this earth is, "As a vapor that appeareth for a little time and then vanished away." (James 4:14)

Our Christian loved ones and friends disappear from our earthly view, yet we know they live with Christ. Paul assures us of this when he said, "To die is gain," "We know that if our earthly home of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternally in the heavens." (2 Cor. 5:1)

Death is putting off of one garment and moving into another. it is a gain. Therefore we can say in the language of the great apostile John, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors: and their works do follow them." (Rev. 14:13) Also in Revelation 7:9 "I saw and behold a great multitude which no man could number, out of all tribes, and peoples, of every nation and tongues, standing before the throne and before the lamb."

To the loved ones and friends of our brothers and sisters who have been called from their labor since we last met, we extend to all our heart-felt sympathy and prayers. May their labor of love in Christ challenge us to greater dedication to Christ and His cause.

GUEST OF GOD

"From the dust of the weary highway,
From the smart of sorrow's rod,
Into the royal presence,
They are bidden as guest of God,
The veil from their eyes is taken
Sweet mysteries they are shown,
Their doubts and fears are over,
For they know as they are known,

For them there should be rejoicing
For them, the festal array,
As for the bride in her beauty
Whom love hath taken away;
Sweet hours of peaceful waiting,
Fill the path that we have trod
Shall end at the Father's gateway,
And we are the guests of God."

Selected

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
REV. LARRY D . BEAVER

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

IN THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

John Armes, Ernest Blevins, Minter Blevins, Clarence Brown, C. W. Bryant, Albert Byrd, David Cockerham,G. B. Crabb, Charles Dimmette, Lester Johnson, J. E. Key, James T. Lawrimore, John McCann, Lonnie Pardue, Tommy Privette, Bobby Wiles, and Banner Wyatt.

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

Hobert Johnson, Oak Ridge Church

LICENSED MINISTERS

Bobby Brown and Robert Hall.

NEW PASTORS

BENHAM, Joe Byrs; KNOBBS, John Love; MOUNT PISGAH, Jerry Winkler; MOUNT ZION, Muncie Absher; NEW LIGHT, Amos Lyon; PLEASENT RIDGE, George B. Hyler, Sr.; STONY RIDGE, Ebert Billings.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

BAPTIST HOME: Deacon, Gentry Adams, Mrs. Gentry Adams, Mrs. Clearence Owens, Mr.Gary Hayes,Mrs. Carrie Adams

CENTER: Mrs. Dora Jennings, (1970), Mrs. Rebecca Hincher, Mrs. Molly Dillard.

DEHART: Mr. James Blevins.

FAIRPLAINS: Mr. J. W. Adams, Mr. Harvey w.Key, Mrs. Wiley Brooks, Mrs. Jessie Yale, Mr. Numa Wingler

HAYMEADOW: Deacon, Odell Blevins,Mr. Ralph Dimmette, Mrs. Alice Gambill, Mrs. Isadora Burke Wiles.

KNOBBS: Deacon, Link Spicer

MAPLE GROVE: Mr. Virgil Hawkins, Deacon J.F. Cleary, Mrs. Mollie Brown, Mr. Luther Prevette

MOUNT PISGAH: Mrs. Carrie Billings

MOUNT ZION: Mrs. Donie Shumate

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Deacon, Eli Sebastian

NEW LIGHT: Mr. John Grit

OAK RIDGE: Mrs. Alice Combs, Mrs. Dora Hall, Mrs. Freda Harrold

PLEASANT VIEW: Deacon, Harvey Hanes, Mr. Gratis Walters

ROCK SPRINGS: Mr. Leoyd C. Hall

TRAPHILL: Mrs. Fannie Y. Brinegar, Mr. John G. Bauguess

UNION: Mrs. Louellen Johnson, Mrs. Annie Mae Yates, Mrs. Annie Eller

WALNUT GROVE: Deacon, McCoy Higgins, Mr. Sam Brown, Mr. Charles Pruitt, Jr. (1970)

CALENDAR FOR THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION
1973

JANUARY 1973

WEDNESDAY, 3: State VBS Clinic, Wingate College 3-5
January Bible Study ; Galations : FREEDOM THROUGH CHRIST - YOUTH, NOW LISTEN, MY FRIEND 3 - 7.

MONDAY 8: Ministers Conference, Haymeadow Church.

FRIDAY, 26: High School Seniors' Retreat, CaRAway, 26-28.

SUNDAY, 28: Baptist Men's Day.

TUESDAY, 30: General Board Meeting, Baptist Building, Raleigh, 30-31.

FEBRUARY

SATURDAY, 3: Regional Royal Ambassador Counselor Courses, Hickory.

SUNDAY, 4: Baptist World Alliance Sunday.

MONDAY, 5: State-Wide Evangelism Conference, Charlotte, Ovens Auditorium, 5-7.

FRIDAY, 9: Baptist Women Study Workshop, Statesville, First.

SUNDAY 11: Race Relations Sunday.

MONDAY, 12; Ministers Conference, Benham Church.

FRIDAY, 16; Layman's Witnessing Institute, Gardner-Webb College, 16-17.

SUNDAY, 18: Special Day and Offering for Homes for Aging.

SATURDAY, 24: Summer Missions Interviews (Tentative) Hickory

TUESDAY, 27: Regional Choir Festivals, Elkin, First.

MARCH

MONDAY, 5: Ministers Conference, Rock Springs Church.

WEDNESDAY, 14: Regional "Share the Word" Conference, Wilkesboro.

THURSDAY, 15: One-Night Area Sunday School Revivals, Wilkesboro Baptist.

FRIDAY, 16, One-Night Area Sunday School Revivals, Elkin, First.

FRIDAY, 16: Annual W.M.U. Meeting, New Light Church, 7:30 P. M.

SUNDAY, 18: V.B.S. Clinic (Eastern), Knobbs Church.

TUESDAY, 20: Rural Church Consultation, Fruitland, 20-22.

FRIDAY, 23: State Baptist Men and Boys' Convention, Winston-Salem 23-24.

SATURDAY, 24: Associational Youth Night, New Light Church, 7:30 P. M.

SUNDAY, 25: V.B.S. Clinic (Western), Center Church.

APRIL

MONDAY, 2: Ministers Conference, Walnut Grove Church.

FRIDAY, 6: Young Adult and Adult Workshop, CaRAway and Mundo Vista 6-8.

SATURDAY, 7: State Children's Choir Festivals.
Southeastern Seminary and Boiling Springs.
World Missions Conference Speakers Arrive in our Association.

SUNDAY, 8: World Missions Conference in Churches, 8-13.

SATURDAY, 14: Missionaries leave Association.

SUNDAY, 15: Cooperative Program Day.

TUESDAY, 17: Church Building Conference, Raleigh.
THURSDAY, 19: Church Training Leadership Institute, CaRAway, 19-21.

SUNDAY, 22: EASTER SUNDAY.

FRIDAY, 27: Church Library Conference (Eastern Area), 27-28.
Youth Convention, Winston-Salem, 27-28.
Week-end RA Camp, CaRAway, 27-28.
Family Camping Weekend, CaRAway, 27-29.

MAY

TUESDAY, 1: North Carolina Baptist Church Music Conference, Ridgecrest, 1-2.

FRIDAY, 4: Day Camp Workshop, Sylva, First, 4-5.
Weekend RA Camp, CaRAway, 4-5.
Family Camping Weekend, CaRAway, 4-6.

MONDAY, 7: Ministers Conference, Welcome Home Church.

FRIDAY, 11: Baptist Women Retreat, Mundo Vista, 11-12.

SUNDAY, 13: Baptist Hospital Day and Mothers Day Offering.

MONDAY, 14: Preschool Workshop (Western Area), 14-15.

FRIDAY, 18: Baptist Women Retreat, Mundo Vista, 18-19.
Teachers' and Interpreters' Conference (Deaf), CaRAway, 18-20.

SATURDAY, 19: State RA Track Meet, Gardner-Webb College.

SUNDAY, 20: Baptist Radio and Television Sunday.

MONDAY, 21: Human Relations Conference, Lake Junaluska, 21-22.

MONDAY, 28: Truett Camp Opens (Region 10).

TUESDAY, 29: Baptist Summer Opportunities, Orientation Week, Gardner-Webb College (May 29-June 5).

JUNE

SUNDAY, 10: Religious Liberty Sunday, W.M.U. Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, 10-11.

MONDAY, 11, Acteens Camp begins Mundo Vista, RA Camp Begins, CaRAway, Pastors Conference, Religious Education Conference, and Music Conference, Portland, Oregon.
Southern Baptist Convention, Portland, Oregon 11-14.

SUNDAY, 17: Baptist College Day and Scholarship Offering.

TUESDAY, 19: General Board Meeting, Wake Forest University,19-20.

FRIDAY, 22: Baptist Young Women Retreat, Mundo Vista, 22-23.

JULY

SUNDAY, 8: Christian Literature Day.

MONDAY, 9: GA Camps Begin, Mundo Vista.

TUESDAY, 10: Associational Sunday School Planning Meeting, (Briefing), Baptist Building, Raleigh.

MONDAY, 23: Associational Superintendents of Missions Conference, Fruitland, 23-27.

AUGUST

MONDAY, 13: Ministers Conference, Pleasant View Church.

FRIDAY, 17: Statewide Youth Evangelism Night, Greensboro Coliseum.

SUNDAY, 19: WEEK OF PRAYER FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS, 19-25.

FRIDAY, 24: Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Fruitland, 24-25.

SUNDAY, 26: On-To-College Day.

MONDAY, 27: Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Mundo Fista, 27-28.

SEPTEMBER

FRIDAY, 7: Brotherhood Leadership Training Retreat, CaRAway, 7-8.
Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Mundo Vista, 7-8.

MONDAY, 10: Ministers Conference, Baptist Home Church.

THURSDAY, 13: Children's Homes' Area Conference, Mills Home.

FRIDAY, 14: Young Marrieds' Retreat, Mundo Vista, 14-15.
State BSU Officers' Workshop CaRAway, 14-16.

SUNDAY, 16: STATE MISSION'S DAY AND OFFERING.

MONDAY, 17: Missionary Education Dialogue, 17-20.

FRIDAY, 21: Baptist Men'S Retreat, CaRAway, 21-23.
Annual Associational Meeting, Fairplains Church.
Annual Associational Meeting Night, Roaring Gap Church.

SATURDAY, 22: Acteens Day, Raleigh, Meredith College.
Annual Associational Meeting, Pleasant View Church.

MONDAY, 24: Area Bible Conferences (Piedmont Area of State), 24-28.
Missionary Education Dialogue, 24-27.

OCTOBER

MONDAY, 1: Metropolitian Missions, Evangelism Seminar, Southeastern Seminary, 1-2.

TUESDAY, 2: North Carolina Baptist Chaplains' Retreat, CaRAway, 2-4.

WEDNESDAY, 3: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches.

FRIDAY, 5: State-Wide Planning Conference for Sunday School, Directors and Pastors, CaRAway, 5-6.
Father-Son RA CAmp (6,7-8 year olds), 5-6.
Baptist Young Women Convention, 5-7.

MONDAY, 8: Ministers Conference, Mount Pisgah Church.

WEDNESDAY, 10: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches.

FRIDAY, 12: Youth Council Retreat, CaRAway, 12-13.
Deacons' Retreat, CaRAway, 12-14.

SATURDAY, 13: Regional RA Counselor Courses, Brevard, Kannapolis, Fayetteville, and Oxford.

SUNDAY, 14; Bibical Recorder Dav.

MONDAY, 15: Rural Church Conferences, Western North Carolina, 15-16.

TUESDAY, 16: General Board Meeting, Mundo Vista, 16-17.

WEDNESDAY, 17: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches.

THURSDAY, 18: Rural Church Conferences, Western North Carolina 18-19.

FRIDAY, 19: Father-Son RA CAmp (6,7-8 year olds) CaRAway, 19-20.

SUNDAY, 21: American Bible Society Day.

MONDAY, 22: Rural Church Conferences, Western North Carolina, 22-23.

TUESDAY, 23: Church Building Conference, Gastonia.

WEDNESDAY, 24: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches.

WEDNESDAY, 31: Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches.

NOVEMBER

MONDAY, 5: Ministers Conference, Roaring Gap Church.

MONDAY, 12: Baptist State Convention, Asheville, 12-14.

FRIDAY, 16: Acteen Associational Officers' Retreat, Mundo Vista, 16-17.

SUNDAY, 18: Baptist Children's Homes' Offering.

WEDNESDAY, 21: International Student Conference, Ridgecrest, 21-25.

SUNDAY, 25: Baptist Children's Homes' Offering.

MONDAY, 26: Church Training "M" Night, Mountain Valley Church, 7:30 P.M.

THURSDAY, 29: Associational Superintendents of Missions Meeting, Raleigh, Baptist Building, 29-30.

DECEMBER

MONDAY 3: Ministers Conference, Fairplains Church.

WEDNESDAY, 19: Convention-Wide Carol Sing in the Churches.

TUESDAY, 25: CHRISTMAS DAY.

SUNDAY, 30: Student-Night-At-Christmas.

TABLE A--CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES 72	COUNTY	Year organized as a church	1 Open Country 2 Village	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions by letter, statement, etc.	Members lost, by letter, death, statement, etc.	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Baptist Home	C. Frank Sitton, R 1 Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1880	1		x	13	10	12	416	60	476	0	0	30,000	180,000	5,600
Benham		"	1917	1		x	5	2	6	163	91	254	0	0	00	30,000	00
Center	Howard T. Hodges, R 1 Box 225, N. Wilkesboro 28659	"	1886	2	x		4	9	4	258	27	285	0	0	22,000	70,000	10,000
Dehart	Julius S. Blevins, R 2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	"	1879	1		x	3	6	2	149	59	208	0	0	00	18,000	3,200
Elk Spur	Boyd Caudill & Clay Royall	Alleg.	1900	1		x	1	0	3	56	24	80	0	0	00	00	00
Fairplains	Horace W. Hall, R 5 Box 641-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1902	2	x		6	7	22	458	117	575	0	2	50,000	220,000	15,298
Haymeadow	Amos Combs, R 1, Millers Creek 28651	"	1905	1		x	12	3	9	270	6	276	1	0	00	00	00
Knobbs	John Love, R 2, Elkin 28621	"	1906	2		x	6	0	3	160	63	223	0	0	00	35,000	1,500
Maple Grove	Larry D. Beaver, R 1 Box 320-A, Hays 28635	"	1932	2	x		3	2	12	215	50	265	0	0	20,000	85,000	5,394
Mount Pisgah	Jerry Winkler, Millers Creek 28651	"	1879	1			0	1	4	133	30	163	0	0	00	17,000	00
Mount Zion	Muncie Absher, R 1 Box 464, N. Wilkesboro 28659	"	1898	1		x	5	5	6	113	4	117	0	0	00	11,000	2,512
Mountain Valley	Bill L. Pruitt, Box 84, Hays 28635	"	1902	1		x	3	1	0	117	85	203	0	0	00	50,000	00
Mountain View		"	1912	2	x		0	2	17	168	37	205	0	1	20,000	60,000	00
New Light	Amos Lyon, R 2, Elkin 28621	"	1899	1		x	2	0	3	86	80	166	0	0	00	30,000	00
Pine View	John W. West, 616 S. Corp. St., Wilkesboro 28697	"	1935	1		x	4	1	9	134	98	232	0	0	00	50,000	00
Pleasant Ridge	George B. Hyler, Sr. R 2 Box 247, Elkin 28621	"	1907	2	x		9	6	10	242	52	294	0	0	26,500	156,500	44,058
Pleasant View	Milton Sewall, R 2, Box 248-B, Mt. Airy 27030	"	1944	1	x		7	10	5	159	55	214	0	0	00	60,000	1,500
Roaring Gap	E. R. Wiles, R 1, Box 149, Thurmond 28683	"	1894	1		x	12	11	2	186	95	281	0	0	00	40,000	00
Rock Springs	Major Caudill, R 1, McGrady 28649	"	1904	2		x	0	0	2	112	68	180	0	0	00	10,000	00
Stony Ridge	Ebert Billings, R 2, Elkin 28621	"	1905	1		x	1	3	1	112	31	143	0	0	00	30,000	00
Traphill	Hillery Wood, R 2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	"	1887	2			6	5	3	60	30	90	0	0	00	15,000	1,500
Union	Glenn Huffman, R 1, Wilbar 28696	"	1911	1		x	5	0	6	90	44	134	1	0	00	42,000	2,800
Walnut Grove	Fred Joines, R 5, Box 699, N. Wilkesboro 28659	"	1902	1		x	0	3	5	63	107	170	0	0	00	3,500	00
Welcome Home	Burr Holcomb, 232 Mineral springs Rd. Jonesville 28642	"	1967	1			14	0	0	78	0	78	0	0	00	15,000	00
	TOTALS.....						121	87	147	3998	1313	5311	2	3	168,500	1,228,000	93,352

TABLE B--THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under-not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young adult enrolment (18-29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or retirement)	Senior adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults away enrolment	Homebound units enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study Fellowship classes	Bible Study Fellowship enrolment	Bible conference projects enrolment	Weekday Bible study enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Mission V.B.S. enrolment	Total V.B.S. enrolment
Baptist Home	Clyde Sidden, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	50	54	41	27	105	34	0	0	3	0	314	206	1	10	0	0	108	0	108
Benham	John Jackson, R 2 Box 149-A, Elkin 28621	20	23	13	24	47	14	0	0	2	0	162	104	1	10	0	0	120	0	120
Center	Bobby Fender, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	23	32	24	16	46	26	0	0	4	0	175	106	2	30	0	0	102	0	102
Dehart	Tom Teague, McGrady 28649	16	17	15	14	34	0	0	0	10	0	106	82	1	25	0	0	115	0	115
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668																			
Fairplains	T. Leon Church, 155 Sparta Rd. N. Wilkesboro 28659	29	62	59	37	100	21	0	0	6	0	314	184	1	12	0	0	141	0	141
Haymeadow	Clint Harrold, R 1, Hays 28635	30	30	20	30	75	0	0	0	0	0	210	112	0	0	0	0	166	0	166
Knobbs	Roger Luffman, R 1, State Road 28676	20	17	15	40	30	11	0	0	12	0	145	95	1	15	0	0	67	0	67
Maple Grove	J. T. McGlamery, Hays 28635	30	24	30	14	54	0	0	0	5	0	157	82	0	0	15	0	74	0	74
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R 1 Box 198, Traphill 28685	9	10	18	28	34	4	0	0	8	0	111	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Zion	Rev. Albert Byrd, R 1 Box 267, N. Wilkesboro 28659	5	11	11	14	20	2	1	0	2	0	66	49	0	0	0	0	34	0	34
Mountain Valley	Ancil Faw, R 1, Millers Creek 28651	8	27	18	23	16	21	0	0	4	0	105	85	0	0	0	0	46	0	46
Mountain View	Don Gritt, R 1, Roaring River 28669	8	18	24	12	42	10	0	0	4	0	118	66	1	14	0	0	55	0	55
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R 1, Roaring River 28669	9	10	19	18	44	9	0	0	2	0	111	75	0	0	0	0	47	0	47
Pine View	Jack S. Hartley, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	18	20	25	20	45	18	23	0	2	0	171	100	0	0	0	0	73	0	73
Pleasant Ridge	Ralph J. Collins, R 1, State Road 28676	14	32	29	22	69	31	0	0	6	0	203	140	0	0	0	25	85	0	85
Pleasant View	Paul Mounce, State Road 28676	18	33	27	20	46	20	0	0	14	0	178	135	0	0	0	0	102	0	102
Roaring Gap	James Holcomb, Jonesville 28642	20	15	11	25	39	33	0	0	2	0	145	132	0	0	0	0	78	0	78
Rock Springs	Wallace Royster, McGrady 28649	4	9	6	11	24	15	0	0	4	0	73	57	0	0	0	0	52	0	52
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, R 1, Roaring River 28669	13	10	0	22	37	0	0	0	0	0	82	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R 2, Elkin 28621	3	7	8	6	10	3	0	0	3	0	40	30	0	0	0	0	62	0	62
Union	Bobby Bowlin, R 1, Wilbar 28696	8	12	12	4	40	0	0	0	0	0	76	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walnut Grove	Everette Hanks, R 5 Box 364 N. Wilkesboro 28659	7	15	6	7	15	3	0	0	0	0	53	35	0	0	0	0	26	0	26
Welcome Home	Larry Sparks, R 1, Traphill 28685	12	15	14	20	18	2	0	0	0	0	81	68	0	0	0	0	78	0	78
	TOTALS	374	503	449	454	990	277	24	0	93	0	3196	2125	8	116	15	25	1625	0	1625

TABLE C-TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under--not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 7-12)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Training Union attendance
Baptist Home	Floyd Coffey, R 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659										
Center	Jimmy Minton, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	9	9	5	9	6	6	0	45	26
Mountain Valley	Doug Souther, R 1, Hays 28635	0	14	17	0	17	0	0	0	48	32
Mountain View	C. W. Barker, Hays 28635	2	8	13	0	0	12	3	0	38	17
New Light	Aldean Jolly, R 1, Roaring River 28669	4	4	5	0	8	3	2	0	26	12
Roaring Gap	Richard Blackburn, R 1, Thurmond 28683	6	6	10	10	18	9	2	0	61	48
	TOTALS	13	41	54	15	52	30	13	0	218	135

TABLE D-CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under-not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensemble enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	Church music study group enrolment
Baptist Home	Wayne Hayes, R 1 Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	20	28	1	0	49	28				
Benham	Claytus Cothren, R 2, Elkin 28621	0	0	10	19	1	0	29	20				
Center	Joe Rhoades, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	4	8	20	3	0	35	22				
Dehart	Don Rhoades, McGrady 28649												
Elk Spur													
Fairplains	Miss. Iva Shumate, R 5-Box 641-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659	20	15	25	46	3	0	109	70	0	15	0	10
Haymeadow	Jim Rhoades, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659												
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, R 2 Box 189-A, Elkin 28621	4	20	10	35	3	0	72	60				
Maple Grove	I. C. Cleary, Jr., Box 29, Hays 28635	8	10	8	25	6	0	57	20				
Mount Pisgah	Mrs. Dorothy Bell, Hays, 28635	0	4	8	10	0	0	22	12				
Mount Zion	John Shepherd, R 1, Box 160-A, Purlear 28665	0	3	0	14	1	0	18	15				
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	22	15	0	0	37	18				
Mountain View	Paul W. Gregory, Hays 28635	0	7	6	20	3	0	36	15				
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R 1, Roaring River 28669	5	4	14	15	2	0	40	36				
Pine View	Miss. Pamela Brown, R 1, McGrady 28649	0	0	5	12	1	0	18	15				
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Y. Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621	0	12	12	30	2	0	56	45				
Pleasant View	Henry Bryant Jr., Thurmond 28683							40	30				
Roaring Gap	Roy Baker, R 1, Box 83, Traphill 28685	5	14	8	39	3	0	66	60				
Rock Springs	Claude Absher, R 1, McGrady 28649												
Stony Ridge	Justue Bauguess, R 1, Traphill 28685	0	0	30	25	0	0	55	40				
Traphill	Mrs. Lawrence Holbrook, R 2, Elkin 28621												
Union	Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, Wilbar 28696												
Walnut Grove	Ervin Pruitt, R 1, Box 112, Hays 28635												
Welcome Home	Mrs. Margie Brown & Mrs. Judy Sparks												
	TOTALS	42	89	186	353	29	0	739	506	0	15	0	10

TABLE E-WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years H.S. graduation to 29 years	Baptist Women 30 and over)	WMU Officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU enrolment
Baptist Home	Mrs. C. Frank Sitton, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	2	1	1	1	0	6	15	28	6	8	44	1	0	102
Benham	Mrs. James Byrd, R 2, Box 150, Elkin 28621	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	6	6	0	16	3	19	31
Center	Mrs. Imogene Osborne, R 1,Box 237,N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	0	1	0	5	3	4	8	0	16	5	0	60
Fairplains	Mrs. Rebecca Norman, P.O. Box 182,N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	3	10	2	8	16	7	0	46
Knobbs	Mrs. Richard Harris, Thurmond 28683	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	4	0	14
Maple Grove	Mrs. C.C. Blevins, R 5,Box 178, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	11	7	6	0	12	2	0	38
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Mae Faw, R 1, Wilbar 28696	0	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	2	0	10
Mountain View	Mrs. Commie Hayes, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	16	0	1	0	0	0	0	16	4	0	20
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R 1, Roaring River 28669	0	0	0	0	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	2	0	9
Pine View	Mrs. Linda Edmiston, R 1, McGRady 28649	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	9	9	8	0	15	2	0	43
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Odessa Luffman, R 1, State Road 28676	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	7	9	0	8	6	0	30
Pleasant View	Mrs. Helen Roberts, Jonesville 28642	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	18	3	0	34
	TOTALS	5	8	7	2	37	0	34	41	79	53	16	190	41	19	438

TABLE--F BROTHERHOOD

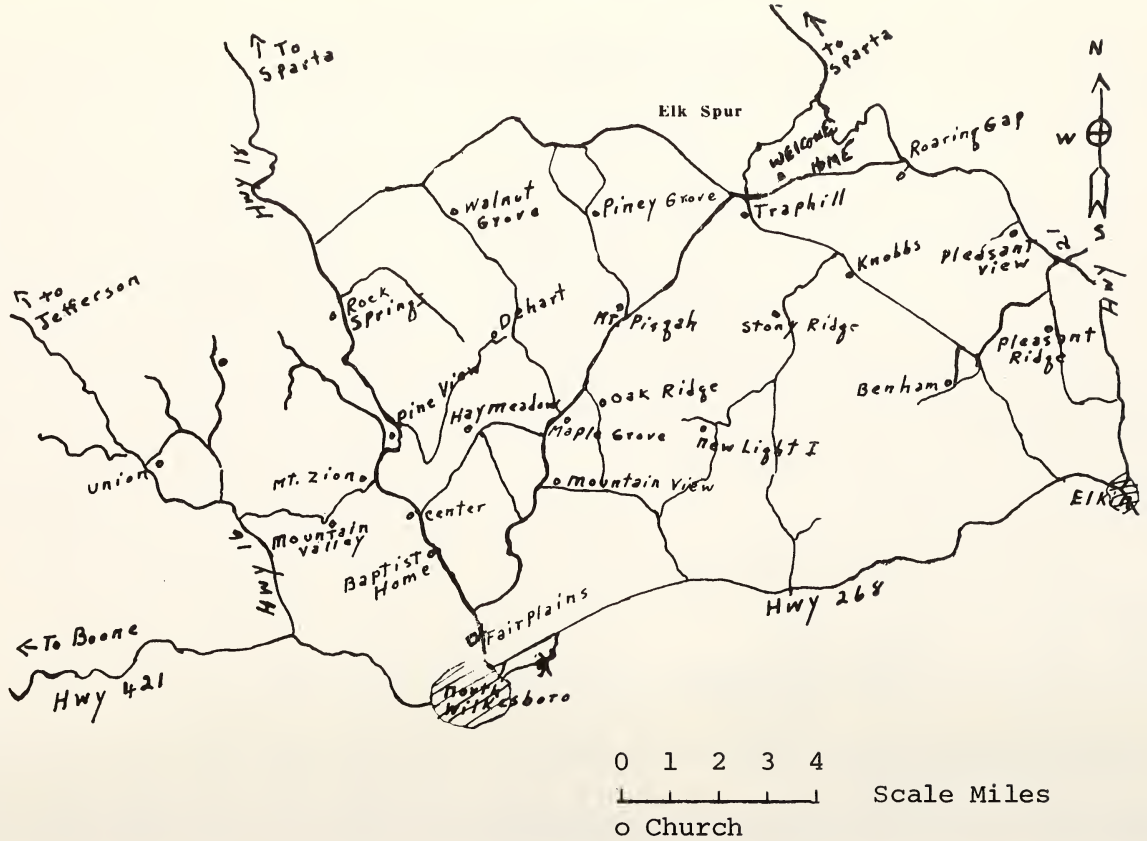
CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Men enrolment (18-29 years)	Baptist Men enrolment (30-59 years or retirement)	Baptist Senior Men 60 years or retirement & over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Brotherhood enrolment
Baptist Home	Steve Call, R 1, Box 472, N. Wilkesboro 28659	12	12	0	27	0	1	0	52
Benham	Ronald Burcham, R 2, Elkin 28621	0	0	0	12	0	1	0	12
Fairplains	Lawrence W. Shumate, R 5, Box 397, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	16	0	1	0	17
Maple Grove	Vaugn Hawkins, R 1, Hays 28635	6	0	0	12	0	3	0	21
Pleasant Ridge		3	8	0	0	0	0	0	11
	TOTALS	21	20	0	67	0	6	0	113

TABLE G-TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	TREASURES AND ADDRESSES	Number of tithers	Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year: None	Forward Program	Other	Cooperative Program percent of budget	Associational goal percent of budget	Total tithes, gifts and offerings	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during year	Debt retirement during the year	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Baptist Home	R. S. Absher, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	60	x			14.0	1.9	35,228	00	35,228	00	12,180	00	3,600	10,976	26,756
Benham	Claude Settle, R 2, Elkin 28621	15	x			2.1	1.7	15,355	00	15,355	00	6,425	00	00	6,161	12,586
Center	S. B. Absher, P.O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659	22			x	6.0	3.0	21,169	14	21,183	3,000	6,753	00	5,811	9,481	22,045
Dehart	Mrs. Bradley Rhoades, McGrady 28649	2	x					4,588	00	4,588	5,000	744	4,769	00	987	6,500
Elk Spur																
Fairplains	J. Boyden Johnson, 19 School St. N. Wilkesboro 28659	50	x			6.0	3.0	36,000	2,000	38,000	00	15,385	4,700	3,379	11,000	34,464
Haymeadow	Mrs. Sue Myers, R 5, Box 639, N. Wilkesboro 28659							10,390	00	10,390	00	4,800	00	1,386	3,827	10,013
Knobbs	Brenda M. Spicer, R 2, Elkin 28621					3.0		3,400	00	3,400	1,500	804	2,546	00	650	4,000
Maple Grove	Jerry Carter, Box 32, Hays 28635	12	x			1.0	1.9	13,127	00	13,127	6,984	4,850	2,805	1,554	2,646	11,855
Mount Pisgah	Miss. Alice Billings, R 1, Box 205, Traphill 28685	5	x					6,556	00	6,556	00	1,965	384	00	2,616	4,965
Mount Zion	Mrs. Mildred Shumate, R 1, N. Wilkesboro, 28659		x				1.6	5,017	19	5,036	00	956	2,062	1,435	1,729	6,182
Mountain Valley	Sylvan Kilby, R 1, Millers Creek 28651		x			1.6	1.5	7,694	00	7,694	2,000	3,060	00	1,300	5,191	9,551
Mountain View	Mrs. Marie Johnson, Hays 28635	12	x			1.7	2.2	14,539	254	14,793	00	3,850	00	00	2,516	17,309
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R 1, Roaring River 28669		x			4.1	3.0	4,863	00	4,863	00	3,550	00	00	794	4,134
Pine View	Mrs. Marie Johnson, Hays 28635		x					12,031	00	12,031	00	6,140	1,776	00	2,618	10,534
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Alene Luffman, R 1, Box 85, State Road 28676	22			x	4.0	2.0	24,462	00	24,462	00	7,069	00	12,119	11,900	31,088
Pleasant View	Mrs. Martha Bryant, State Road 28676	16	x			5.0	1.0	14,716	00	14,716	00	3,780	3,756	1,500	4,334	13,380
Roaring Gap	Mrs. W. R. DeJournette, R 1, Traphill 28685	17			x		1.0	14,501	00	14,501	00	5,540	00	00	2,689	8,229
Rock Springs	Sylvia Haynes, McGrady 28649				x			4,299	00	4,299	00	1,540	00	00	1,173	2,713
Stony Ridge	Ford Cothren, 849 Elk Spur St., Elkin 28621				x			2,897	00	2,897	00	120	00	590	1,494	2,204
Traphill	Mrs. R. C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685				x			6,823	00	6,823	1,500	2,273	1,439	00	1,388	5,100
Union	Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, R 2, Wilbar 28696	4			x			5,819	00	5,819	2,800	2,100	3,011	00	1,635	6,746
Walnut Grove	Mrs. B. J. Blevins, R 1, Box 271, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2			x			4,494	18	4,512	00	880	677	00	1,975	3,532
Welcome Home	Mrs. Glenda Holcomb	14			x			00	00	00	00	00	5,672	00	00	00
	TOTALS	253						267,968	2,286	270,254	22,784	94,764	33,597	32,674	87,780	253,886

TABLE H-MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated; SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, tc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: all other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Baptist Home	Mrs. Sybil Gambill, R 1, Box 521, N. Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	4,915	650	00	218	362	00	200	200	00	00	1,630	6,545
Benham	Mrs. James Byrd, R 2, Box 150, Elkin 28621	00	00	00	301	200	159	179	327	78	221	286	115	350	1,915	2,216
Center	Mrs. Imogene Osborne, R 1, Box 237 N.Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	1,124	325	39	10	300	00	24	13	31	00	742	2,608
Dehart	Mrs. Maxine Shumate, McGrady 28649	00	00	00	45	35	00	00	00	00	53	75	00	00	00	208
Elk Spur	Cora Lee Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668															
Fairplains	Bill M. Pruitt, R 5, Box 364, N. Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	1,800	700	101	500	1,700	30	60	100	100	215	3,506	5,306
Haymeadow	Barney Harrold, R 1, Hays 28635	00	501	501	00	180	00	00	00	00	85	75	81	43	464	965
Knobbs	Lee Von Speaks, R 1, Traphill 28685	146	00	146	00	145	00	00	47	00	52	60	00	284	588	734
Maple Grove	Mrs. Eli J. Wentzel, R 1, Box 312, Hays 28635	00	00	00	100	180	53	82	207	11	38	33	25	30	657	760
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R 1, Box 198, Traphill 28685	00	00	00	50	25	00	00	00	00	25	25	00	00	00	125
Mount Zion	Mrs. Everette Shumate, P.O. Box 715, N.Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	18	84	00	00	10	00	15	24	00	00	133	284
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, R 5, Box 614, N. Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	120	120	00	48	144	00	53	33	00	25	00	544
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635	00	00	00	160	200	15	254	478	15	40	40	10	30	1,082	1,242
New Light	Aldean Jolly, R 1, Roaring River 28669	00	00	00	134	135	30	50	50	10	50	43	12	45	325	460
Pine View	Gilmer Rhoades, R 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	00	00	00	506	100	00	37	283	19	182	150	134	27	832	1,438
Pleasant Ridge	James Luffman, R 1, Box 85, State Road 28676	00	00	00	550	300	149	204	523	50	107	100	75	00	00	1,508
Pleasant View	Mrs. Earl W. Royall, R 1, Box 160, Thurmond 28683	180	00	180	685	120	00	00	00	00	125	69	50	956	1,320	2,185
Roaring GAp	Raymond DeJournette, R 1, Box 84, Traphill 28685	00	00	00	30	144	00	00	853	00	192	320	168	1,450	00	3,157
Rock Springs	Fay Royster, McGrady 28649	00	00	00	00	60	00	00	00	00	25	25	00	00	00	110
Stony Ridge	Ford Cothren, 849 Elk Spur St, Elkin 28621	00	00	00												
Traphill	Mrs. Roy Billings, Traphill 28685	00	00	00	101	90	10	00	30	10	25	25	5	00	00	296
Union	Mrs. Mary Smith, R 2, Wilbar 28696	00	00	00	13	103	00	00	00	00	27	25	25	00	180	193
Walnut Grove	R. J. Johnson, R 1, Box 238, Hays 28635	00	00	00	00	60	00	14	73	00	582	107	84	753	1,672	1,672
Welcome Home	Norlan Holcomb, R 2, Box 22-B, Elkin 28621	00	00	00												00
	TOTALS	326	501	827	10,652	3,956	556	1,596	5,387	223	2,181	1,828	915	4,208	15,046	32,556



STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

B
266.9756
M66stc

MINUTES

OF THE

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

FAIRPLAINS CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 21, 1973

ROARING GAP CHURCH

NIGHT SESSION, SEPTEMBER 21, 1973

AND

PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 22, 1973

SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

THEME

JESUS IS LORD

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WILL BE HELD WITH

Union Church, Wilbar, N. C. Rt. 1
Friday, September 20, 1974, 10:00 A.M.

Mount Pisgah Church, Traphill, N. C.
Friday Night, September 20, 1974, 7:30 P.M.

Rock Springs Church, McGrady, N. C.
Saturday, September 21, 1974, 10:00 A.M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page No.
Associational Directory	4 & 5
List of Messengers	6
Associational Budget 1973-74	7
Constitution	7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Rules of Order	11
Articles of Faith	11, 12
Proceedings	12, 13
Moderator's Report	13
Clerk's Report	14
Treasurer's Report	14, 15
Superintendent of Missions' Report	15
Sunday School Report	15, 16
Vacation Bible School Report	16
Christian Training Report	16
Woman's Missionary Union Report	17
Report of the Committee on Nominations	17, 18
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina	18, 19
Baptist Hospital Report	19
N. C. Baptist Homes for the Aging	20
Temperance Report	21
Pastor Church Relationship	21, 22
Report on Christian Education	22
The Cooperative Program Report	22, 23

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Missions Report 23

Periodicals Report 23, 24

Annuity Board Report 24, 25

Baptist Foundation Report 25

Library Report 25, 26

Histories 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

Report on Time, Place, and Preacher 30, 31

Report of the Resolutions Committee 31

Resolution on Liquor by the Drink 31

In Memoriam Report 32

Ordained Ministers Who Are Not Pastors 32

Ministers Ordained This Year 32

Ministers Licensed During The Year 32

New Pastors 32

Our Beloved Dead 33

Calendar For The Stone Mountain Association 1973-74 ..... 34, 35, 36

Statistical Tables 37-44

Map 45

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY 1973-74

Moderator ..... Rev. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Vice-Moderator Rev. Bill Taylor, Rt. 1, Box 641-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Clerk ..... S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Treasurer ..... Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, Wilbar 28696
Chairman of Evangelism .. Rev. George B. Hyler Sr., Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Superintendent of Missions ..... Rev. Mace Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651

Heads of Organizations

Ministers Conference ..... Rev. Mace Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651
Sunday School ..... Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Church Training ... Floyd Coffee, Rt. 5, Box 571, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Music ..... James R. Rhoades, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
W.M.U. ..... Mrs. Gaye Swaim, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685
Librarian ..... Mrs. R. C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685
Brotherhood ..... Denver Holcomb, Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683
General Board ..... Burr Hutchinson, 140 Oakland Drive, Elkin 28621

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is made up of the General Officers, Heads of the Organizations, all Pastors and one member from each church.

Nominating Committee

Rev. Major Caudill ..... McGrady 28649
Mrs. Barbara Pardue ..... Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Amos Combs ..... Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651

Committee On Arrangements

Odell Whittington ..... Wilbar 28696
Graden Foster ..... Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Dewey Nickolson ..... Rt. 1, Thurmond 28683

Committee On Time Place and Preacher

Rev. Julius Blevins ..... Rt. 1, Box 385-B, Hays 28635
Rev. Jim Miles ..... Rt. 1, Box 443-AB N. Wilkesboro 28659
Gorden Foster ..... Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Committee On Resolutions

Charles Norman ..... Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
C. C. Blevins ..... Legion Drive, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Paul Mounce ..... State Road 28676

Program Committee for 1974

Rev. George Hyler Sr. ..... Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Julius Blevins ..... Rt. 1, Box 385-B, Hays 28635
Claude Settle ..... Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Amos Lyons ..... Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Mace Johnson ..... Rt. 1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651

Hospital Representative

Claude Settle ..... Rt. 2, Elkin 28621

Homes For The Aging Representative

Odell Whittington ..... Wilbar 28696

Children's Home Representative

Rev. Julius Blevins ..... Rt. 1, Box 385-B, Hays 28635

Associational Sunday School Officers For 1973-74

Director ..... Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Teaching Improvement Director ..... V. D. Woodruff, Hays 28635
V. B. S. Director ..... Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Extension Activities Dir. .... George Elledge, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Pre-School Dir. ..... Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Childrens Director ..... Ralph Collins, State Road 28676
Youth Director ..... Mrs. Henry Bryant, State Road 28676
Adult Director
Records Assistant ..... C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Group Directors Group 1 ..... Clyde Sloop, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Group 2 ..... Rev. Lester Johnson, Rt. 1, Hays 28635
Group 3 ..... Rev. G. B. Crabb, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685

Associational Church Training Officers

Director ..... Floyd Coffey, Rt. 5, Box 571, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Associate Director ..... Jerry Kilby, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651
Secretary ..... Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Chorister
Pianist ..... Mrs. C. C. Blevins, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Pastor Advisor ..... Rev. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Attendance Leader .... Mrs. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Adult Director ..... S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Youth Director ..... Rev. Clarence Brown, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Children's Director
Pre-School Director .... Mrs. Eldon Gentry, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669

Associational W.M.U. Officers

W.M.U. Director ..... Mrs. Gaye Swaim, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685
W.M.U. Assistant Director
Baptist Women Director ..... Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621
Baptist Young Women Dir. ..... Mrs. Hilda Bryant, Rt. 1, Box 19, Thurmond 28683
Acteens Director ..... Mrs. Darlene Grit
Girls In Action Dir. ..... Mrs. Mabel Gentry, Rt. 1, Box 93, Roaring River 28669
Mission Friends Director ..... Mrs. Nona Blevins, Legion Drive, N Wilkesboro 28659

Associational Ministers Conference

President ..... Rev. Mace Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651
Vice-President ..... Rev. Jim Miles, Rt. 1, Box 443-AB, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Secretary ..... Rev. Burr Holcomb, 232 Mineral Springs Rd., Jonesville 28642
Social Director ..... Rev. Jerry Winkler, Rt. 4, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Program Committee ..... Rev. Sam Putnam, Hays 28635
Rev. Julius S. Blevins, Rt. 1, Box 385-B, Hays 28635

LIST OF MESSENGERS

BAPTIST HOME: Fritz Grasmehr, Jim Kilby, Wade Barlow, Mrs. Wade Barlow, Miss Cora Caudill, Rev. C. Frank Sitton, Mrs. C. Frank Sitton

BENHAM: Otis Byrd, Claude Settle, Mrs. Claude Settle, Scott Norman, C. B. Settle, Mrs. Joseph A. Blackburn

CENTER: Mrs. Minnie Reynolds, Mrs. Pat Brooks, Claude Huie, Wake Tinsley, Mrs. Ethel Jennings, Mrs. Pauline Gambill

DEHART: Estel Rhoades, Mrs. Maie Rhoades, Mrs. Lillie Johnson, Mrs. Maxine Shumate, Mrs. Rachel Rhoades, Carl Brown

ELK SPUR: Boyd Caudill, Quincy Royall, Don Ray Royall

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. C. C. Gambill, Mrs. Bessie Dancy, Mrs. Dausie Russell, Miss Mary Louise Jones, Mrs. Jim Shepherd, John Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Elledge

HAYMEADOW: Mrs. Doretha Blevins, Arthur Harrold, Mrs. Sue Myers, Johnny Myers, Bobby Wiles, Mrs. Mary Jennings

KNOBBS: Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lyon, Roger Luffman, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Johnson, Mrs. Richard Harris

MAPLE GROVE: Mrs. Nona Blevins, Mrs. I. C. Cleary, Mrs. Dora Childress

MOUNT PISGAH: L. G. Billings, Jesse Miles, Carol Wiles, Jerry Bell, Willard Billings, Z. W. Wiles

MOUNT ZION: Cyrus Shumate, Odell Brown, Spencer Wyatt

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Ancil Faw, Wayne Reavis, Gradon Foster, Mae Faw, Dell Faw, Joe Faw

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Carl Holder, Bruce Dearman, Vernon Woodruff, Mrs. Lester Johnson

NEW LIGHT: Fred Dowell, Clifton Prevette, Aldean Jolly, Johnny Richardson, Dewitt Blackburn, R. V. Garris, Jr.

PINE VIEW: Rev. and Mrs. Dean Dillard, Mrs. Stella Burke, Mrs. Faye Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Bumgarner

PLEASANT RIDGE: Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Luffman, Mrs. George Hyler

PLEASANT VIEW: Rev. E. D. Burchette, Eddie Anderson, Etner Cockerham, Mrs. E. D. Burchette, Gordon Chambers, Barney Crabb

ROARING GAP: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burke, Rev. Lonnie Pardue, David Lyon, Dewey Nickalson

ROCK SPRINGS: Comey Taylor, Crom Dancy, Wallace Royster, Barney Shumate, Jettie Shumate, Arliss Caudill

STONY RIDGE: Ford Cothern, Epel Cothern, Rev. G. B. Crabb

TRAPHILL: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holbrook, Mrs. R. C. Pruitt, Mac Warren, Mrs. Fred Brown

UNION: Odell Whittington, John A. Whittington, Bobby Bowlin, Mrs. Martha Whittington, Mrs. Edna Whittington, Mrs. Arvie Staley, Mrs. Bernie Miller, Mrs. Mary South

WALNUT GROVE: Mrs. Larry Handy, Mrs. Gary Handy, Mrs. Ervin Pruitt, Mrs. Bill Blevins, R. J. Johnson

WELCOME HOME: Charles Spicer, Burr Holcomb, Glenda Holcomb, Margie Brown, Bobby Brown, Ola Spicer, Judy Hall, Larry Sparks, Judy Sparks, Ella Sparks

PROPOSED ASSOCIATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1973-74

Superintendent of Missions, Salary	$5,200.00
Superintendent of Missions, Expenses	780.00
Associational Office Expenses	300.00
Annuity Board (Retirement)	400.00
Convention Expenses	125.00
(Baptist State Convention and Evangelist Conf.)	
Cost of Minutes (Estimated)	400.00
ASSOCIATIONAL DEPARTMENTS:	
Sunday School	75.00
Church Training	50.00
Woman's Missionary Union	50.00
Brotherhood	15.00
Music	15.00
Minister's Conference	25.00
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Supplies	40.00
Evangelism	100.00
Miscellaneous	25.00
Library	25.00
Total	$7,725.00
Amount Expected from Churches	$6,225.00
Amount Expected from State Convention	1,500.00
Total	$7,725.00

Respectfully Submitted,
The Budget Committee

THE CONSTITUTION FOR STONE MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article I—NAME

This association shall be known as The Stone Mountain Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of the officers of the Association, Pastors of the churches affiliated therewith, ordained ministers, and Messengers from the churches that have been received into the fellowship of the Association, and that continue Baptist in faith and practice, and that cooperate with the association, and support the agencies of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Amendment—Each church with a resident membership of two hundred or less shall be entitled to three elected messengers, and those having more than two hundred resident members shall have an elected messenger for each hundred or major fraction thereof beyond the first two hundred resident members, but not exceed a total of ten elected messngers.

Section 1-a We will not receive any church into our fellowship that practices or consents to practice baptism by any method(s) other than immersion or who receives or agrees to receive anyone into their

fellowship by letter or any other method(s), who have been baptized by any method(s) other than immersion.

If any church within our Association should violate this constitution by practicing or agreeing to practice baptism by any method other than immersion, or receive or agree to receive members by letter or any other means, who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, shall be considered in violation of our constitution and upon such knowledge of this fact said church will be notified by our Executive Committee of their violation and placed on one year probation and instructed to correct such violation within this year and report said action to the Association. Failure to take any of said action would result in their dismissal from the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in our first annual meeting following this one year probation period.

Section 2. All visiting Brethren shall be seated and given the privilege of discussion, but will not be allowed to vote.

Section 3. Newly constituted churches shall become members of this association upon their adoption of this Constitution and two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 4. The Association may at any time dissolve connection with any church that becomes herterdox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter for two consecutive sessions without sufficient reason, or that ceases to be missionary in practice. The support of the causes fostered by the denomination at large and of this Association in particular shall be the test of each Church as a missionary body.

Article III—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to devise and promote measures for increasing the harmony and spiritual power of the Churches within our bounds, and to promote and develop their eneggies in advancing God's Kingdom throughout the earth in compliance with the teachings of the New Testament and in cooperation with the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Article IV—ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS AND MEETINGS

Section 1. The Churches shall report annually not only the statistical information for any facts concerning their general welfare. The clerk shall furnish each church with printed forms for their annual report at least six weeks before the annual meeting of the Association, and the Churches are requested to have these reports returned to the clerk at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place or places as may be agreed upon.

Section 3. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article V—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Officers of the body shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer. Associational Missionary, and the heads of the organizations as set forth; 1. Sunday School; 2. Training Union; 3. Woman's Missionary Union; 4. Brotherhood; 5. Music; 6. Ministers' Conference.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at Meetings of business; to keep order during each session, to decide

questions of order and to perform other duties pertaining to the office. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator shall perform these duties.

Section 3. The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and they shall be fraternal visitors to the Churches throughout the year.

Section 4. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body, furnish the churches with blank letter forms, supervise the printing of the minutes, and distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association, and shall disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purpose for which the funds were contributed. He shall render an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements to the budget committee upon request, and to the Association at its annual meeting.

Article VI—COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committees of the Association shall be:

(a) Executive; (b) Program; (3) Arrangements; (d) Nominating; (e) Time, Place, Preacher; (f) Resolutions; (g) Budget.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee and its chairman shall consist of three members, and shall be appointed by the Moderator at the beginning of the first session of the Association. This committee shall, as soon as possible, meet and assign the members of the various committees, and name the standing committees and their chairmen. Also, it shall name any other committee assigned to it.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association as set forth in Article V, Section 1. Also the pastor and one member of each Church. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall be stated officers of the committee.

Section 4. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five brethren, besides the Moderator and Clerk. It shall be the duty of this committee to make all plans for each annual meeting of the Association; to consider all letters of grievances or queries, together with letters from corresponding associations or our State Baptist Board requiring any attention thereon, and to report same back to the Association. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise Lordship over God's heritage but shall be considered as an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

Section 5. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare the order of business for their annual meetings. Printed copies of the suggested order or business shall be distributed to those attending the opening sessions of the Association. The Chairman shall be designated by the Nominating Committee. Time shall be allotted for reports on the following subjects: Missions; Education; Orphanage; Temperance; Sunday Schools; Periodicals; Minister's Retirement; Home for the Aging; Pastoral and Church Relations; Training Union; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood; Evangelism; Music; Time, Place and Preacher; and any other reports the Association deems necessary. The Program Committee will assign and contact all persons that are to give reports at the Annual Associational Meeting, not later than June 1.

Section 6. The Associational Missionary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee at any annual session of the Association or any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. His/Her election shall be by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers or members present. He/She shall serve until the relationship is terminated by mutual consent.

He/She shall have the same relationship to the organizations of the Association as a pastor has to the organizations of the church.

He/She shall lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Executive Committee.

He/She shall promote the whole program of the Association, the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

He/She shall act as an ex-officio member of the Committees of the Association as listed in Article VI, Section 1.

His/Her work shall be under the direction of the Association and Executive Committee.

He/She shall have administrative supervision of such work as may be assigned him/her by the Association.

Section 7. The officers of the Associational Sunday School, the Associational Training Union, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union, the Associational Brotherhood, and the Associational Music Department shall be elected by their respective organizations at the last meeting in the Associational year by their own methods. The list of officers will be furnished the Nominating Committee, who shall present them to the Association for approval at the time of the election of the officers of the Association. Those persons elected for officers in these organizations will serve in cooperation with the officers already serving until they are approved by the Association, at which time they shall assume full responsibility of office. All persons nominated for office in the Association will be contacted, personally, prior to the election of officers.

Section 8. The officers shall assume their duties at the close of the Associational meeting at which they are elected and shall serve until the close of the next annual session, with the exception of the Clerk. The Clerk shall assume his duties at the beginning of the session at which he is elected and shall serve until his successor is elected at the next annual session.

Section 9. The Budget Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. The Moderator shall serve as Chairman. This committee shall meet before the annual meetings of the Association and prepare a budget to cover all anticipated needs of the Association for the next Associational year. The committee will cause the budget to be printed and distributed to the members at the annual meeting. The committee will suggest a pro rata share of the budget for each church affiliated with the association for their consideration and approval.

Article VII—MINISTERS

Each Church having ordained or licensed ministers shall report the same to the Association in order that their names may be compiled in the minutes.

Article VIII—CHANGE

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed change be read to the Association during the first day of the annual meeting — the churches having previously been notified.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and only one member shall speak at a time.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject and shall use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. No member shall speak more than twice upon one subject except by permission of the body.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association. nor whisper in time of public speech.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation than that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the clerk as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled, and he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any person who shall willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1st. We believe in only one true and living God; Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd We beliebe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted and regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subject of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode is by immersion.

7th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

8th. We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS

The Stone Mountain Baptist Association met in its Seventy-Seventh annual session at Fairplains, Roaring Gap and Pleasant View Churches. Friday's session, September 21, 1973, was held at Fairplains Baptist Church with the Rev. Glenn Huffman, Moderator, presiding. The call to worship was observed by the congregation singing Hymn No. 41 from the Baptist Hymnal. Rev. W. J. Taylor, pastor of the host church spoke the welcome and led in prayer.

Introductory words were spoken by Rev. Mace Johnson, Associational Supt. of Missions. The devotional period was under the direction of Rev. Samuel F. Putnam, pastor of Mountain View Church. His subject was in mind of the associational theme "Jesus is Lord," found in Second Chapter Philippians, verse 11, closing with prayer.

The regular order of business was the roll call of the churches, which was made. All but one being present with letter and messengers. They were duly seated. Appointment of committees, recognition of pastors, visitors and new pastors to our midst, by the moderator, was in order. Among the visitors were Dr. Howard Ford, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Robinson, Horace Barefoot, Edwin Coates, Calvin Knight and others from the State Convention offices.

Reports were heard on Christian Education, Co-operative Program and State Missions. Giving the reports were Rev. W. J. Taylor, C. C. Blevins, and Rev. Amos Lyon.

Edwin Coates, who was scheduled to speak at Saturday's session and moved up to Friday, spoke on the Baptist Foundation. Dr. Howard Ford spoke deeply and lovingly on the need of the churches.

The annual message was by Rev. Frank Sitton, pastor of Baptist Home Church. He spoke from 2 Tim. "The Word of God is not bound," closing his message with prayer and offering thanks for the delicious lunch served by the host church.

The Friday afternoon session opened with the congregation singing "Blessed Assurance." Rev. Putnam offered prayer and led in the devotional speaking from John 1:19 "Who Art Thou."

Reports from Childrens Homes, Baptist Hospital and Homes for the Aging were heard. Making these were Rev. Julius Blevins, Claude Settle and Odell Whittington. Speaking to the reports were Horace Barefoot, Calvin Knight and J. Roy Robinson.

Presentation of the Book of Reports was next order of business and it was adopted. Under miscellaneous business, liquor by the drink was heard from. A resolution was offered that the Association go on record as being opposed to the liberalization of our liquor laws. The resolution was approved by voice vote.

A history of the church was presented and referred to the Satur-

day session for final decision. Closing remarks were heard from the moderator, Rev. Bill Pruitt offering the benediction.

Friday night's session at Roaring Gap Church opened at 7:30 p.m. with the congregation singing two numbers, "Showers of Blessings" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Welcome and prayer were made by the pastor, Rev. E. R. Wiles. In the devotional, Rev. Joseph Blackburn, pastor of Benham Church, followed closely the theme of "Jesus is Lord" in his remarks from Luke 2:11 on the great commission.

Reports were heard on Temperance, Christian Literature, and Pastor-Church relationship. Making these reports were Rev. Bill Pruitt, Rev. Julius Blevins and Rev. Sam Putnam. The congregation, waiting to hear Rev. Marse Grant, sang "Only Trust Him" and "Love Lifted Me."

The guest speaker, Rev. Grant, Editor of the Biblical Recorder, brought a very enligtening message why Christians should be readers of the Recorder, expanding his remarks to Pastor-Church relationship, how the Recorder keeps one informed about life in the churches and various things that a Baptist should know. Bringing to the climax the fullness of what liquor by the drink will mean to every citizen of North Carolina, and how it will increase the outlets by 3,000 or more, urging everyone to vote NO on November 6.

The Saturday session at Pleasant View Church and the preceeding sessions were well attended and much interest was shown. Worship opened with the singing of "Amazing Grace," followed by Rev. Michael Ray Davis, host pastor, extending the welcome and offering prayer.

The devotional was under the able direction of Rev. Joe Blackburn, pastor of Benham Church. He challenged all Christians in his message "Why call Ye Me Lord, Lord," closing with prayer.

Reports were made by Rev. Mace Johnson, C. M. Royall, and Rev. Sam Putnam on Library, N. C. Baptist Foundation and Annuity Board. Rev. W. J. Taylor, pastor of Fairplains Church was the guest speaker.

Under miscellaneous business, the printing of a brief history of the churches in the associational minutes where the association holds its annual meeting was proposed, and adopted, however, each church will be expected to make a special contribution to the minute fund.

The closing message was by Rev. George Hyler, Sr., followed by prayer led by Rev. W. J. Taylor, giving thanks for the bounteous lunch served by the host church.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

I would like to express my appreciation to the Churches and their pastors for their cooperation to the Stone Mountain Association during the year 1972-73. From the reports I have received, it has been a good year. The World Mission Conference was a good success.

Due to the condition of our health, I have not been able to do as much as I wanted to. My prayers will be with you, and your new moderator, and all the leaders of the association.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Glenn Huffman, Moderator

CLERK'S REPORT 1972-73

Letters were received and messengers seated from all the churches, except one, in the Association.

I met with the Executive Committee for the purpose of filling the Office of Superintendent of Missions, due to the resignation of Rev. Amos Lyon, who was called to the Pastorship of New Light Church. After much prayer and consideration, Rev. Mace Johnson's name was placed in nomination. Ballot was taken and he was duly elected. Brother Johnson assumed the duties of Superintendent of Missions on January 1, 1973.

Data for the Associational Annual was prepared and delivered to the printers in October. The printed copies were received and delivered to the Churches in December. All departments, Institutions and individuals on our mailing list were included.

I sincerely wish to thank everyone for their cooperation and consideration shown me as Clerk of your Association. It is indeed a pleasure and a privilege to serve you.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. B. Absher, Clerk
Stone Mountain Association

TREASURER'S REPORT 1972-73

BEGINNING BALANCE		$ 43.36
RECEIPTS 1972-73		
Total Received from Churches	$4,473.55	
Total Received from State Convention	877.00	
Total Minute Funds	436.00	
Total World Mission Week Receipts	510.28	
VBS Offering	23.89	
Sales Tax Refund	15.00	
Total of All Receipts		$6,335.72
GRAND TOTAL		$6,379.08
DISBURSEMENTS 1972-73:		
Missionary's Salary	$3,600.00	
Missionary's Expenses	780.00	
Annuity Board (Retirement)	400.08	
Convention Expense	82.50	
Cost of Minutes	390.00	
Clerk's Expenses	100.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	9.00	
Total World Mission Expenses	468.88	
Miscellaneous Expenses	20.00	
DEPARTMENT EXPENSES:		
Sunday School	$ 70.85	
Church Training	—0—	
Woman's Missionary Union	25.00	
Brotherhood	—0—	

Music	—0—
Minister's Conference	—0—
Evangelism	—0—
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$5,946.31
BALANCE IN TREASURY — September 15, 1973	$ 432.77

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill L. Pruitt, Treasurer

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1973-73

I came to serve you as your Missionary on January 1, of this year. Now eight months later, Aug. 31, I have traveled 8,904.4 miles. I have attended all of the Churches in the association; most at least three times.

I have preached in eighteen of the twenty-four churches. I have taught Bible School in two churches, and also been Bible School Principal of two. I have preached revivals in two of the churches. Outside the association, I have preached in thirteen churches, and preached two revivals. I have seen God's saving power at work. I have seen advancement in the Stone Mountain Association. I was as happy as could be with the results of our World Mission Conference. I am very grateful to our former Missionary, Brother Amos Lyon, to all our pastors, and to everyone that had a part. I will humbly continue to serve you in any way I can for the cause of Him who died for all of us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Mace Johnson
Superintendent of Missions

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

During the past year I have visited many Sunday Schools in our association and I plan to continue my visitation until all have been reached before the end of this year. I have, or will have traveled by the end of our Sunday School year, approximately 600 miles. During my visitations and talks with our churches I have tried to encourage them to increase their Sunday School enrollments. I feel by doing this we can get the unsaved into our midst where we have the opportunity to reach them for Christ.

On August 1, 1973 I will be attending our Annual Associational Sunday School Briefing Meetings at Ridgecrest and I hope to have some good ideas to pass along to our churches.

I am also in the process of planning an Associational Sunday School Teacher Improvement Workshop for the spring of 1974. This will be taught by our State Sunday School Board and then our representatives to this conference will bring what they have learned back to our association to be shared with all churches interested in participating. I feel that this will be well worth our time and efforts.

May I close by expressing my gratitude to our many fine churches for their support and ask that you remember me continually in your prayers. Paul's writing to the Corinthians chapter 4, verses 1 and 2 says, "Let a man so account for us, as of the ministers of Christ, and

stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

Respectfully Submitted,
Wayne Pardue
Sunday School Director

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

As Vacation Bible School Director for our Association for 1972-1973, I attended our N. C. Baptist State Convention V B S clinic at Wingate College for the entire session which began on January 3rd and ended January 5th.

From this clinic I led our team members in planning and conducting three clinics in our Association. These consisted of the Pastor's and Director's Early Clinic for the purpose of aiding in the ordering of curriculum materials and two regular clinics for the purpose of training workers. At least two weeks before each of these clinics I write each Pastor advising him of these events so each church would be well informed of the activities planned.

I also was responsible for the delivery of the free literature furnished our churches by our State Convention. For the churches not represented at either of our clinics, I mailed this packet to the Pastor, or if uncertain about mailing address, I delivered it personally.

I was asked, and did help one church in our Association to conduct their school. Several others asked for assistance in ordering materials, which I was happy to do. I traveled many miles to distribute our Joint Service programs to churches in this area.

During our clinics we discussed the need for Mission Vacation Bible Schools in our Association and I encouraged each Director to consider this as a possibility should they see a need that their church could fill.

I have enjoyed my work as V B S Director and I trust that, through God's help and the support and assistance of other Christians, I was able to help further the cause of Christ in our Association.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Wayne Pardue
V B S Director

CHRISTIAN TRAINING REPORT

As another associational year comes to a close, we begin to wonder how much progress has been made. We are not able to add it up on a computer, because we can not add up the human brain, but we can realize some advancements in all age groups.

We saw attendance improvements over last year's "M" Night. Our Youth Night was much improved over last year. The young people from our churches that participated in our Youth Night chose and presented songs of their own choosing. Also, a group of young people gave a number of testimonies which was very interesting and thrilled the soul of everyone present.

Rev. Mace Johnson, Our Superintendent of Missions, brought a thrilling message at the close of the service.

We are praying that all of our churches will participate more in the Training Program of our association in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,
Floyd Coffey, Director
Church Training

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

The Associational Woman's Missionary Union is one of several programs in the Association. Each program provides opportunities for churches to accomplish their divine purposes.

The Association W M U helps churches meet certain needs common to most churches, and these include fellowship, inspiration and motivation, service, leader training, information, communication, and cooperative work. The associational W M U program assists churches in two ways. FIRST, it helps in establishing, conducting, enlarging, and improving the W M U program in the churches of the association. SECOND, it helps church Woman's Missionary Union by representing them in work done which could not be done as effectively by each church working alone.

In today's troubled, complex, badly mixed-up, sinful world, (but it is GOD's world) we need all the saved, dedicated, prepared women we can get to labor together with God to make Him known throughout the world. W M U members are encouraged to demonstrate God's redeeming love. They are encouraged to be instruments through which the lost may be brought to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to help the loyal and dedicated people to become more loyal and more dedicated to our Lord.

As we approach the second year of making A GIANT STEP in W M U work, let us renew our dedication and efforts to make this GIANT STEP a reality.

It has been a great blessing for me to serve as your W M U Director for these seven years, and I assure you my continued interest and concern. I hope that our new W M U Director, Mrs. Gaye Swaim, can rely on your support in the future. There are limitless possibilities for her in Associational W M U work and I urge each church to help her and back her up in making our Associational W M U bigger and better than ever before.

May I say thanks to all of you for the support you have given me.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Mary Pruitt
W M U Director

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Your committee nominates the following named personnel to serve our Association for the ensuing year 1973-74:

1. Moderator ..... Rev. Frank Sitton
2. Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Bill Taylor
3. Clerk ..... S. B. Absher
4. Treasurer ..... Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner
5. Minister's Conference ..... Rev. Mace Johnson
6. Music ..... James Rhodes
7. Sunday School ..... Wayne Pardue
8. V. B. S. Director ..... Mrs. Wayne Pardue
9. Church Training ..... Floyd Coffey
10. Woman's Missionary Union ..... Mrs. Gaye Swaim
11. Librarian ..... Mrs. R. C. Pruitt
12. Brotherhood ..... Denver Holcomb
13. Evangelism ..... Rev. George B. Hyler, Sr.
14 Hospital Representative ..... Claude Settle

15. Homes for the Aging Rep. ..... Odell Whittington
16. Children's Homes Rep. ..... Rev. Julius Blevins

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Fred Joines
Ralph Collins
Rev. Amos Lyon
Rev. G. B. Crabb

REPORT ON BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC. 1973

Christian child care is a creative opportunity. The Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina is committed to quality care which nurtures the whole person, physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. It is our hope that each child in our care will have the opportunity to develop the full potential which is his by God's creation.

This has been a year of development and constructive change for the Homes. The entire agency has voluntarily met the minimum standards for child caring agencies and has been licensed by the State of North Carolina for all of our services to children and their families.

Each of the three administrative areas has realized significant growth. In the Western Area, two additional cottages have been completed and occupied at Broyhill Home and construction has begun on the administration building and the recreation building. The Maternity Home continues to operate at or near capacity in its service to unwed mothers. In the Eastern Area, a new cottage is being built at Kennedy Home and the foster care program has been enlarged.

In the Piedmont Area three developments deserve special attention. (1) Mills Home has a new administrative organization. The twenty cottages have been divided into four units of five each, and each unit will have a unit director, two social workers, and the cottage personnel. These smaller units will provide closer working relationships between staff members, between staff and children, and between staff and families. (2) Wall Home at Wallburg has been reopened to provide for a group of boys, utilizing the special skills of the houseparents in an outdoor adventure program. (3) We are negotiating with Baptists in Alamance and Mecklenburg counties for the establishment of emergency care units. These units will be joint ventures of emergency care units. These units will be joint ventures between the Homes and the local supporters, with the local group providing the buildings and the Homes operating the program of care.

Three pressing needs are laid on the hearts of Baptists who are concerned for our ministry of Christian child care. (1) We need many families who will open their homes to accept foster children. Any family interested in exploring this Christian service to children should write or call the nearest office of the Baptist Children's Homes. (2) The increase in the cost of food, clothing, supplies and services makes the Cooperative Program and the Thanksgiving Offering all the more important to our continuing services. We need significant increases in both to meet rising costs. (3) Several old cottages remain which need to be replaced with new cottages better suited to present patterns

of child care. The development staff welcomes the opportunity to counsel any person regarding his lasting investment in Christian child care.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Julius Blevins

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

In May of this year Baptist Hospital observed its 50th Anniversary. The hospital opened its doors in May of 1923 "to bring the healing art more definitely under the dominion of the Great Healer."

The anniversary was celebrated jointly with the dedication of the new Reynolds Tower, a 16-story pateint care facility. The completion of the Tower brings the total bed capacity to 655, placing Baptist Hospital within the top 10 per cent (in size) among hospitals in the United States. When the renovation of older sections of the hospital is completed the total number of beds will be 717.

Construction has begun on an ambulatory care building which will house the emergency room, several outpatient clinics, the Physical Therapy Department, and an Oncology (Cancer) Clinic and Research Laboratories. This building and the above-mentioned renovation will complete the present Medical Center Development Program.

Last November the Baptist State Convention heard the report of the Committee of 15 and adopted its recommendations. The hospital has been seeking to implement these recommendations:

1. A Medical Center Committee, composed of 8 Trustees from the Baptist Hospital Board and 8 from the Wake Forest University Board, has been appointed. This committee will consider matters involving the Medical Center and its future operation.

2. In January the hospital trustees appointed a committee of three to review appropriations from the Mother's Day fund and assist hospital personnel in making decisions on some specific requests for assistance. The hospital continues to provide care for people who cannot pay, valued at far in excess of the total Mother's Day Offering. The auditors' confirmed value of this care in 1972 was $1,390,000 — nearly four times the amount of the Mother's Day Offering — and this does not include the value of physicians' service, provided without cost to these service patients.

3. The Department of Pastoral Care is expanding its services to provide training for lay people. Dr. Mahan Siler joined the staff June 1 to head up this new work. The Department also anticipates the establishment of several satellite counseling and training centers in the state, beginning in the near future. Your Cooperative Program gifts support the work of this department.

The hospital's financial operation is "in the black," and there has not been a general room rate increase in 2½ years. As of this date, the Mother's Day Offerings are running ahead of last year.

Calvin Knight, Director
Denominational Relations
June, 1973

Respectfully Submitted,
Claude M. Settle
Hospital Representative

REPORT FOR 1973 ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

One of the most meaningful things that you do as a Baptist is the share that you have in the ministry of your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging. As you look back with us upon the twenty-two years of this ministry, and the last year in particular, there are distinctive blessings that we would like to call to your mind and heart.

In the first place, there is no greater realization that we can have together than the awareness of the fact that this special ministry to older people is a venture of faith in God. It always has been. We hope that it always will be. God has brought us from one Home to five resident Homes, with two located in Winston-Salem (Resthaven and the Hayes Home) and one each in Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. These Homes have a capacity for 162 residents, and there is a Nursing Care Unit in Winston-Salem, with a capacity for 63 patients, and serving all of the Homes' residents, when nursing care is needed. Four out of every five persons who come to us in our Homes for the Aging are persons whose income is very limited. They look to you, through your love gifts, for a supplement to their care, and all of us look to the Lord continually for His great love. This, therefore, is a venture of faith.

Never forget that this is your ministry, on behalf of Christ, to older persons and that they simply could not be ministered unto without your love gifts. Specifically, during the past year, through your gifts, you contributed $185 a month for the care of the majority of the residents in your five Baptist Homes. Through the Special Offering you contributed 20% of the total income of the Homes, and through the Cooperative Program, you gave 10% of the total budget needed. The tie that binds this ministry to the hearts of our Baptist people and our Baptist Churches is a very special one and a very distinctive one indeed.

Be glad also for the fact that your love gifts make possible quality care. It has often been said of the ministry of our Baptist Homes that there is no finer care that an older person can receive this side of Heaven than the care given in our Homes for the Aging. Everything that we do for Christ should be this way, and we are certainly trying to give Him our best day by day in our ministry to the older people in our care. There is someone serving around the clock, watching over the residents and patients even as they sleep. One of our Supervisors, or "Mothers," as they are often called was given the name of "Guardian Angel," when a resident, during an illness discovered later that the "Mother" was keeping vigil just outside her door.

God bless you for your share in this ministry to the Aging, which is both special and distinctive. Pray for us, come to see us, and continue to support this ministry as liberally and loyally in the future as you have in the past.

Respectfully Submitted,
Odell Whittington

TEMPERANCE REPORT

Temperance is a great question facing the entire world today, orgies of debauchery and sin are widespread over our land.

In Galatians 5: 22-23, the Apostle Paul said that "Temperance is the fruit of the spirit." The Apostle Peter said in 2 Peter 1: 5-7, that temperance is part of the Christian growth and maturity.

All Christians should urge temperance in conduct, speech, eating, and in other ways of life; but in the use of alcoholic beverage, narcotics, and kindred drugs, abstinence should be stressed by pastors, teachers, and all Christians.

We urge our Baptist people to take a stand and stand firm against the upcoming liquor by the drink issue, and against the manufacture, sale or use of these mentioned enemies of mankind.

My fellow Christians: "God is the only real source of help: to help ourselves live a life worthy to be called a Christian.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Fred Joines

PASTOR CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

Pastor and Church relationship, should be one of mutual understanding. The Pastor, is a called Man of God who has spent time in preparation and has been made overseer of the Church by the leadership of the Holy Spirit and has been placed in this position by the same.

Our God is still speaking to His people today and He still yearns to reach the lost of our day. Those that feel the divine call as Pastors have unique opportunities. The Pastor is the under-shepherd of the Church of God. He must first seek and follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Having accepted this leadership position, he must "study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." He must lead his people in the search for and enlistment of the unchurched. Unless the pastor is concerned for the lost, the members of his flock will feel no responsibility to reach those around them. In most of our Churches, the Pastor is the only paid full-time worker. This being true, he has the privilege of setting the pace, challenging the people and showing the way. If he demonstrates Christlike love for all members of the flock, "then he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them and the sheep follow him for they know his voice." These are the words of our Master, but can be said of a divinely called Pastor.

I have endeavored to point out that all programs of the Church must be Pastor-led; however, the members of the Church likewise must assume their roles in ministering to the lost. This is the mandate given by our Master in Matthew 31: 19-20. Let us ever remember that the Church is the body of Christ, who is the founder and builder. The memberships consist of a group of baptized believers. This being true, a member of the flock who has truly been born again will have no hesitancy in praying for supporting and under-girding the Pastor in all Christian endeavors. He will use the gifts which Paul pointed out in all phases of the Christian work. Let us always remember the words of Paul found in I Corinthians 15: 57-58: "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always

abounding in the word of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Samuel Putman

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nineteen hundred and seventy-two was a record-breaking year for Southern Baptist Colleges and schools. For the first time in history all Southern Baptist Colleges are fully accredited. The total enrollment in Baptist colleges showed an increase of more than 5,000 students over 1971. All Southern Baptist seminaries showed an increase in enrollment.

Church-related vocations in our seminaries and colleges increased. All church-related volunteers totaled 16,438 for an increase of 1,661 over the previous year. The largest gain was in ministerial students, for an increase of 935.

During the past year schools received $20,205,192 from the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention, or a decrease of $2,430,911. Donations, gifts, and grants totaled $22,794,302, increasing by $343,720 over the previous year. Endowment increased to $302,915,363, or $72,450,841 more than 1970-71. Total assets were $829,523,034 or $74,048,135 more than the previous year.

We can help our young people and our North Carolina Baptist Colleges. We are already helping our colleges, especially through the Cooperative Program and the Scholarship Offering on Father's Day.

However, there is another way you can creatively influence the lives of our youth and the future of our colleges: by helping The Council on Christian Higher Education to locate and contact high school juniors and seniors who will very soon be considering which college to attend. This could be very important to the future of some young person in your church. When they receive the lists, both the colleges and The Council on Christian Higher Education will be in touch with the students about the opportunities awaiting them — including financial aid — at our seven schools.

Many young Baptists never consider a denominational school because they feel they cannot afford it. Each of our schools has repeatedly pledged that **no qualified student** will be turned down for financial reasons.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. J. Taylor

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

When we give, (in most cases it is hard earned money) we would like to know where it is going to be spent. Our Baptist publications give us this information. One of these magazines tells how every dollar reaching Nashville is divided.

At the national level 19 agencies are financed by the Cooperative Program with Foreign Missions getting 47 cents, and Home Missions 18 cents from every undesignated dollar reaching Nashville.

The remaining 35 cents is divided between: six seminaries for a total of 22 cents on the dollar, the Radio and Television Commission, five cents and Brotherhood Commission, one cent.

Other work receiving less than a penny from each dollar includes

the Christian Life Commission, Annuity Board, Southern Baptist Foundation, Historical Commission, Public Affairs Committee, American Baptist Seminary and the Convention operating budget.

Whatever the percentage of gifts to the national office, every dollar received there is divided according to the formula recommended by the Executive Committee and approved at the annual Convention. Our state follows a like process.

Last year 1,138 churches increased Cooperative Program giving by 10 per cent or more over what they gave the previous year. Four of the associations in North Carolina had 100 per cent of their churches giving through the Cooperative Program in 1972. These were: Anson, Tar River, Flat River, and Yates.

A good follow-through is the lifeline between good planning and good results. You will get excellent results if you plan well your special offerings and let your major emphasis be on the lifeline: YOUR COOPERATIVE PROGRAM.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. C. Blevins

1973 MISSIONS REPORT

The need for missions grows each day of our lives. We are told that there are about 138,000 more lost people in the world today than there were yesterday. 1973 will end with about 50 million more lost people than there were when it began.

146,000 people will die within the next 24 hours, most of them lost. 345,000 babies will be born in the next 24 hours, who will live, grow up, and die lost, without ever being presented the Gospel of Christ.

There are 9 times as many people today who have never heard the Gospel of Christ, than the total world population when Jesus gave the great commission to his followers.

A line of all lost people in the world would circle the earth 30 times. This line will grow at the rate of 20 miles per day.

We have around 2,500 Southern Baptist missionaries assigned to 76 countries in 42 categories of service. The need of world missions grows each day.

It is time to hear and heed the message of the great commissions given by Jesus in Matt. 28: 19-20. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever, I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amos Lyon

PERODICALS REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

We should be most grateful that we have access to the many Baptist perodicals and literature that are available for us to read. We must take advantage of these by bringing them into our churches and homes to derive the necessary benefits from them.

We as adults should put forth a great effort to try to get this type of literature into the hands of our younger people. Since there is so much undesirable literature that can be acquired today, we should

encourage in every possible way for them to read something that will help them to meet the real needs of life.

It is vitally important that we help keep our minds filled with the Christian publications that we are privileged to have to read. To name a few that are provided is The Biblical Recorder, our State Baptist Newspaper; Home Life Magazine, which by the daily devotions can create a much better home environment; Sunday School and Training Union quarterlies; Open Windows; and many others.

Religious training in our world is needed so much today and therefore we should acquaint ourselves with as much Christian literature as we possibly can. In order for us to pass this on to future generations, we must do as Paul said, "Study to show thyself approved." Let us challenge ourselves to read and study much more in the future than we have in the past.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention this year added new benefits or increased benefits for most active and retired pastors, church staff members and denominational workers it serves.

For annuitants (retirees, widows and disabled persons) on the roll December 31, 1972, monthly income checks have been permanently increased by 6 per cent. Just before Christmas, 1972, more than 7,000 annuitants received "13th Checks" amounting to the size of two extra months' benefits. The "13th Checks" are paid in addition to the regular monthly payments.

Participants in Plans A-10, A-11 and A-25 on January 1, 1973 had their accrued credits increased by 10 per cent in "good experience credit," and Plan B participants received an additional interest credit based on the Board's good experience on its investments. In addition, the Board approved (subject to action by state conventions) an increase in widow benefits under Plan A to 50 per cent of the potential or actual retirement benefit; previously it was 40 per cent. This increase applies to those retiring January 1, 1973 and thereafter.

At the same time, a temporary income benefit under Plan A was established for a widow, child or dependent parent of those who die before early or normal retirement, or after disability retirement, and who have met the required participation. The temporary income benefit can amount, at maximum, to $333.33 per month for 36 months (or a total of $12,000) if the participant died before age 40. The length of payment of the benefit decreases with the age at death. This benefit is payable to those who died January 1, 1973 or thereafter.

More than 9,000 insurance policyholders transferred from the previous Health Benefit Plan with Blue Cross - Blue Shield to the new plan begun January 1, 1973 with Aetna Life Insurance Company.

The Board reported several records for its operations in 1972. Funds held in trust for over 38,000 participants in retirement plans passed $300 million for the first time. Investment income reached a new high for 1972 of more than $22 million. Retirement and other protection benefits paid out for the 12-month period surpassed $10 million for the first time

The total amount of money paid in "13th Checks" exceeded one million dollars, also for the first time. Good investment results in

1972 on funds held to pay benefits account for this dividend.

Income from premiums and dues topped $30 million, another record.

Information on the Annuity Board may be secured by writing Development Office, Annuity Board, SBC, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samuel L. Putman

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation was chartered some years ago as a charitable coporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina as apply to such corporations.

It was created for the purpose of procuring and administering endowment funds to all institutions and agencies owned and controlled by the Convention. It is a service agency dedicated to the task of undergirding all our Baptist work.

Gifts, both large or small, are accepted from any and all legitimate sources including church groups and corporations, as well as individuals. Donations can be in the form of cash, real or personal property, stocks, bonds, anything of value.

The donor has the privilege of designating how the proceeds shall be distributed, either in a lump sum, periodically, or held in trust with accuculating dividends going directly to one or more agencies supported by the Convention. Contributions through this channel can extend one's stewardship through all future generations. This can, and will, be a joy in knowing some of our earthly possessions can be used to support the cause of Christ long after this life is ended.

This is your Foundation. If you would like to know more about its services and activities, or need help in any way, contact:

North Carolina Baptist Foundation
301 Hillsboro Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

Respectfully Submitted,
C. M. Royall

LIBRARY REPORT

If we as Christian workers understand the meaning of the word "LIBRARY," we would become concerned about providing a library in every Church across our Association. The word "Library" means a room or building given over to a collection of books kept for use and not for sale.

A Church that is concerned about the future of the youth, and all members alike, would profit if they will set aside space for Library purpose, and furnish it with up to date Christian material.

With so many evils in the world today being offered to our youth, is it asking too much to provide "helps" that are trustworthy and reliable for the future?

It is our desire in the Association to work for God through the Churches, for the potential of resources found and used in the Church Library.

At present there is material available through Nashville, that will help any department in our Churches, including the pastor, (the leader of the flock) to the Chrisian that comes to worship, and may some

day be asked to take a leadership position. It is to the advantage of all Church members.

Let's join hands and improve our Christian faith and witness through the use and support of our Church Library.

If you church does not have a library, and would like to start one contact your Missionary office, and you will receive help and suggestion as to how to start and maintain a library with all the latest Christian material available.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. R. C. Pruitt

BRIEF HISTORY OF DEHART BAPTIST CHURCH 1973

Dehart Baptist Church was organized October 11, 1879 in the Dehart School House, on Dehart Branch near the present Church.

The name "Dehart" was probably derived from a man named Elijah Dehart, who lived in the area about 1797.

First Minutes of Church Records

"Met at Dehart School House, preaching by Brother Irdell T. Prevette after which the members present with letters seated themselves on motion. Brother J. D. Tinsley, A. E. Myers and I. T. Prevette were called on as a Presbytery to constitute them into a Missionary Baptist Church. The Covenant and articles of Faith was read and adopted.

The Presbytery proceeded to examine the members as to their Ordinance and regard to their Faith and found them in Ordinance.

Prayer by Brother A. E. Myers — leading on motion called John A. Adams Pastor, and J. N. Brooks assistant.

On motion appointed W. W. Myers Church Clerk. On Motion we appoint Reverend John A. Adams and J. N. Brooks and Lee B. Myers and T. Sellyen in case of failure, to represent us in the constitution to be held with the Cool Springs Church on Friday before the second Lord's day in November 1879 to organize a new Association.

On Motion the Church Door was opened for the reception of members. On motion adjourned."

John A. Adams, Moderator
W. W. Myers, Church Clerk

The first Church Building was built in 1880 about the same location as the present Church Building.

Zedric Myers gave the land for the first Church site. The timber was cut on the property to build the Church. The building wasn't finished inside at this time.

On July 2, 1896 a Committee was appointed to oversee the work on finishing the inside of the Church. The following men were appointed to the Committee: Joseph Porter, J. Y. Brooks, and Lee B. Myers.

Same early members of the Church include names of the people living in the area now, and many others: MYERS, RHOADES, PORTER, ADAMS, BILLINGS, HANDY, SHUMATE, ABSHER, BROOKS, HAYES, PRUITT, HUIE, WYATT, WALKER, HARROLD, HALL, MILES, CLEARY, DILLARD, PREVETTE, MILLER, KEY, GAMBIL, and BROWN.

The first person buried in the Church Cemetery probably was Jettie Porter, daughter of Joseph Porter, in 1880.

The Church added many members down through the years. Some of the older members had much to do in the Organization of the Stone Mountain Association.

In February 1917 the Church voted on building a New Church House, Building Committee appointed: Willis J. Rhoades, Robert Miles and J. Noah Harrold.

Construction for the building began in 1918, this the second Church Building. Joseph Porter and J. N. Harrold took the contract on labor for $75.00.

The building materials were mostly donated by members, some timber cut on Church property. Part of the expense of materials was saved by members sawing the roof shingles and lumber.

The building was of good structure and served the church many years.

In September 1957 the Church voted to remodel the Church building. The following were appointed to the Building Committee: Dean Rhoades, Estel Rhoades, and R. P. Miles. Two Sunday School rooms were added and a central heating system.

In 1960 D. L. Porter and wife Vesta Porter donated about 1¼ acres of land, adjoining the church property for extra cemetery space. The cemetery was reworked and grassed and much was done to beautify the cemetery.

In the year 1967 a building fund was started for a new church, much interest was shown in raising money for the building fund.

July 1968 D. L. Porter and wife Vesta Porter donated about 1 acre of land next to the church property.

In November 1970 with about $4,000.00 in the church treasury the new church building was started. Building committee appointed: Bradley V. Rhoades, Estel E. Rhoades, David Johnson and Desley Walker.

The Construction of the church building was done mostly by the members of the church. Some lumber and materials were donated by the members. The building was nearly completed by June 1971 and new pews were ordered. The church borrowed $5,000.00 to pay for materials and the pews.

Reverend Ernest Blevins, former pastor, preached the last sermon in the old church building October 31, 1971.

Reverend Julius Blevins, present pastor, preached the first sermon in the new church building November 7, 1971.

The church has had pastors as follows: John A. Adams, J. N. Brooks, Callie Blevins, W. W. Myers, J. J. Caudill, John Brown, Grant Cothren, J. W. Walker, Squire Blevins, Ellison Handy; George W. Sebastian, Andrew Blevins, W. F. Porter, Troy Blevins, J. A. Blevins, Monroe Dillard, Lewis Everette Sparks, Cager Dillard, Uriah Hanks, A. T. Sebastian, Arthur F. Absher, Arthur Gambill, Guy Brooks, Hillary E. Blevins, Minter L. Blevins, Major Caudill, Milo Huie, Grant Hincher, Ernest Blevins, George Taylor, John Miller, Birch Handy, and the present pastor Julius Blevins.

The church has had clerks as follows: W. W. Myers 1879-1883; Lee B. Myers, 1883-1905; J. Y. Brooks, 1905-1915; J. Noah Harrold, 1915-1925; Robert Huie, 1925-1943; Lonnie Odell Handy, 1943-1955; Dennis Walker, 1956; Estel E. Rhoades, 1957; David Johnson, 1958; R. P. Miles, 1959-1966; Claude Handy, 1967-1970; Bruce Rhoades, 1971; Mrs. Maxine Shumate, 1972 and still serving.

The church has had treasurers as follows: Odell Handy, Betty

Porter, I. Dean Rhoades 1965-1967; Mrs. Rachel Rhoades 1968 and still serving.

The church has had deacons as follows: W. W. Myers; Lee B. Myers, Jacob Shumate, Zedric Myers, J. F. Myers, J. Y. Brooks, Ellison Handy, Joseph Porter, B. B. Brown, J. N. Harrold, R. F. Miles, Harrison Dillard, Robert E. Huie, Estel E. Rhoades, Lonnie Odell Handy, R. Peerless Miles, W. Rudolph Handy, Percy E. Sebastian, Dennis Walker, Ira Dean Rhoades, Bradley V. Rhoades, John Myers, Cleo Shumate, and Edd Rhoades. Several of these are still serving.

The church has had Sunday School for many years and at present 107 members enrolled. Tom Teague is superintendent.

The Womans Missionary Union has about 15 members. Mrs. Maie Rhoades is serving as president.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Ira Dean Rhoades

HISTORY OF FAIRPLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Led by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Dock Andrews, F. T. Myers, and Walter Horton, all members of the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro, a Mission Sunday School was established in Fairplains Community in 1897. The first meeting place was the old Fairplains School House, but was soon moved to the community church building where it shared meeting hours with two other denominations; then to a store building at Mountain View Road and Highway No. 18, and finally to its present location in 1903. The Mission was constituted into a church September 20, 1902 and was named the First Baptist Church of Fairplains. There were twenty-one charter members.

In 1903, led by H. V. Hix, funds were sought, materials obtained and the first church building erected. The bell that is presently in use was donated that same year by the Mother Church.

The name of the church was changed to Fairplains Baptist Church and the dedication took place April 17, 1921. The sanctuary was completed and dedicated February 18, 1922.

Under the ministry of Landreth Blevins, 1928-1934, and A. E. Watts, 1934-1938, the church made considerable growth and additional classroom space had to be added.

The 50's saw many changes at Fairplains. In the year 1950 Training Union was begun. Additional land was purchased and under the leadership of Rev. Wayne Hendren the present church was completed and dedicated June 30, 1957.

The Library was begun in 1970; the pastorium was completed in March 1971 under the leadership of Rev. Horace Hall.

Rev. W. J. (Bill) Taylor accepted a call to Fairplains Baptist Church and arrived on the field February 1973. A Bus Ministry was begun in May 1973 with three buses . . . two more were added by Fall of 1973. Plans for additional educational space to take care of doubled attendance (over the year before) are being studied. This building is to be completed sometime in 1974.

HISTORY OF PLEASANT VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

In June, 1943 a group of concerned people began holding worship services in the old Mining Ridge School house under the leadership of the Rev. Woodrow Wishon. Three souls were saved at the time. In August a revival was held and 32 souls were saved.

In September of the same year, Sunday School was organized with Harvey Haynes as superintendent. Church services were held for two years in the old school house.

Through the faithful work of its first pastor (Rev. Woodrow Wishon) and its nine charter members: Virginia Crabb, Pearl Crabb, Barney Crabb, Nell Childress, Lawson Childress, Edna Haynes, Harvey Haynes, C. A. Parks, and Stanley Walker, (all except the last three are still surviving) the church continued to grow and prosper in the Lord.

During the time the school house was used for a meeting place, the members of the new church realized its present facilities were not adequate for the future, so plans were made and the work began on the new building. On September 8, 1946 the first service was held in the new church building on its present site, and was named "Pleasant View Baptist Church." Rev. Woodrow Wishon served as pastor for 14 years with much good work to his credit.

Rev. W. H. Caldwell was the second pastor, who also served faithfully for 14 years. Brother Caldwell is now in retirement after many years in the ministry.

Rev. Milton J. Sewell was called as the 3rd pastor, but was forced to resign because of a severe heart attack after three years of service. Brother Sewell is still unable to return to full time ministry, but the good work he did in Pleasant View is continuing to bear good fruit.

In June of 1973 Brother Mitchell Ray Davis was called for three months interim service. Before the three months expired, the church requested his ordination by his home church (Calvary Baptist of Winston-Salem) and called him as pastor.

We can say that Pleasant View has truly been blessed with good dedicated pastors, and Brother Davis is showing excellent leadership in carrying on the good work of spreading the Gospel of Christ.

Pleasant View is having worship services four Sundays a month beginning immediately, and has enlarged its first building a number of times to accommodate a membership or more than 200, and at present is building a fellowship building for the use of the church and the Boy Scouts.

It is our sincere hope that we will be able to always carry out the high ideals set by those before us, and continue to be of service in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

HISTORY OF ROARING GAP BAPTIST CHURCH

Roaring Gap Baptist Church was organized as an arm set off Traphill Baptist Church at Park Institute (later known as Peach Orchard School) August 25, 1894.

Charter members were: Rhoda Gentry, Lucinda Gentry, James M. McCann, Arthusa McCann, Cora McCann, J. D. McCann, E. E. McCann, C. C. Gentry, M. C. Barnes, J. W. McCann, Ella DeJournette McCann, and Sallie DeJournette Gentry.

In August 1894 the church ordered an associational letter. The association joined was not mentioned. J. N. Gentry said, the Elkin Association. According to the record Roaring Gap Baptist Church joined Stone Mountain Association August 1907.

This first church was completed in 1902. It was dedicated May 31, 1903. Rev. G. M. Burcham preached the dedication sermon. Then inquired if anyone had or knew of anyone having a claim against the building that was not willing to give it to the Lord and his service to speak or forever hold their peace. The congregation voluntarily gave their private interest in the house to the Lord and His Service by standing. The dedication prayer was led by Rev. G. M. Burcham.

This little church 24' x 36' served the people until 1926 when it was turned around and remodeled to double the seating capacity. Very little record is found on the remodeling of the church building. The building committee were: C. C. Gentry, chairman; J. P. Holbrook, J. G. Woodruff, and J. E. DeJournette.

On February 19, 1949 Wiley Callaway, Mackie Royall, Harrison Warren, Dewey Nickolson, Rev. George Curry, Mrs. J. E. DeJournette, and Mrs. W. R. DeJournette were elected to serve as a building committee.

June 18, 1949 the church authorized the building committee to secure plans for four Sunday School rooms and go forward with the work. The contract was given to Albert McCann.

In August 1954 the second contract was given to Sidden Construction Co. to finish the building. The work was completed January 24, 1963.

Many improvements have been made since the completion of the building, such as: furnace, well, pump, and rest rooms, water cooler, lawn seeded, walks poured, carpet, piano, a Hammond organ, chime system, air conditioned, and many various other improvements.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed Roaring Gap Baptist Church for 79 years in His Glad Service.

Pastors who have served Roaring Gap Baptist Church from 1894 to the present time: J. W. Burchett, John Jolly, L. B. Murray, Grant Cothren (40 years), Minter Blevins, Marvin Burcham, H. E. Blevins, Charles Talley, Garfield Gambill, E. R. Wiles.

Deacons who have served from 1894 to the present time: J. M. McCann, J. A. McCann, J. F. Gentry, R. M. Collins, J. P. Holbrook, W. J. Caudle, H. G. Blackburn, Blain Warren, Frank Collins, Marshall Durham, M. C. Shaver, W. B. Hall, Dan Hayes, S. A. Lyon, Dewey Nickolson, Lester Royall, Jim Reece, Richard Blackburn, Ira Casey, Gilmer Pardue, Gwyn Hayes, Roy Baker, Homer Mahan, Banner Blevins.

Ministers ordained from 1894 to the present time: W. F. Cooper, Arlie Simmons, Jim Reece, E. R. Wiles.

Church clerks who have served from 1894 to the present time: C. C. Gentry, J. F. Collins, W. H. Snow, J. F. Collins, J. N. Gentry, J. F. Collins, Mrs. J. E. DeJournette, Roby Spicer, Raymond DeJournette.

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER

The next annual session of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association will be held as follows:

Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September 1974.

Friday, September 20th, 10:00 A.M. Union Church. Rev. Sam Putman. SPEAKER, Rev. E. R. Wiles, Alternate. Friday night 7:30 P.M. Mount Pisgah Church. Saturday, September 21st, Rock Springs Church. Rev. Bill Taylor, SPEAKER, Rev. Joe Blackburn alternate.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Julius S. Blevins
Rev. Jim Miles
Mr. Graden Foster

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Resolutions for the 77th annual session of the Stone Mountain Association, wish to extend to the pastors and members of the Fairplains, Roaring Gap, and Pleasant View Churches and their respective communities our deep appreciation for their kindness and the fine way in which they have entertained this association. We also wish to thank the Fairplains and Pleasant View Churches and their communities for the delicious meals which they served.

We are grateful to all the Pastors, Superintendent of Missions, Program Committee, the officers of the Association and all our visiting speakers and all others who have helped make this session of the Stone Mountain Association a success.

We especially appreciate the local news agencies for their support in publishing the various meetings concerning the work throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. C. Blevins

RESOLUTION ON LIQUOR BY THE DRINK

Whereas, North Carolina citizens will go to the polls on November 6, 1973 to determine whether or not Liquor-By-The-Drink can be sold in North Carolina:

Whereas, there was evidence of whiskey-at-the-wheel in over one-half of the 1,981 traffic deaths in North Carolina last year:

Whereas, states with by-bottle and by-drink sales sell 34% more liquor that states with by-bottle sales only;

Whereas, Liquor-By-The-Drink could immediately increase the number of liquor outlets to as many as 3,000 and under LBD individuals could make up to 400% profit on sales of mixed drinks;

Therefore be it resolved by the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in Annual Session go on record as opposing any liberalization of our liquor laws whatsoever.

Be it further resolved that we urge our churches to give money and man-power to defeat the Liquor-By-The-Drink Bill.

Be it further resolved that we respectfully request our citizens to vote against Liquor-By-The-Drink in North Carolina on November 6.

Respectfully Sumbitted,
C. Frank Sitton, minister
Baptist Home Church

IN MEMORIAM

"Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of men, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." I Corinthians 2:9.

In Thessalonians Paul says, But I would not have you to be ignorant brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not as others which have no hope. "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him . . . Wherefore comfort ye one another with these words."

Our loved ones are only a few steps in advance of us, and we may overtake them at any moment.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Revelation 14:13.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. E. R. Wiles

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

John Armes, Ernest Blevins, Minter Blevins, C. W. Bryant, Albert Byrd, David Cockerham, G. B. Crabb, Charles Dimmitte, Lester Johnson, J. E. Key, James T. Lawrimore, John McCann, Lonnie Pardue, Tommy Privette, Bobby Wiles, Banner Wyatt.

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Jimmy Miles (Mount Pisgah)

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

Paul E. Burgess (Baptist Home)
Lonnie Cheek (Knobbs)

NEW PASTORS

Joseph Blackburn, Benham; Clarence Brown, Dehart; W. J. Taylor, Fairplains; Jimmy Miles, Mount Zion; Samuel F. Putman, Mountain View; Dean Dillard, Pine View; Michael Ray Davis, Pleasant View.

INTERIM PASTORS

Center, John L. West; Maple Grove, J. T. Hendrix; Mountain Valley, Rex Shumate; Traphill, Mace Johnson, Associational Supply; Walnut Grove, M. L. Blevins.

Our Beloved Dead

BAPTIST HOME: Mrs. Blanche Privette, Mrs. Donna Burke

BENHAM: Mr. Milt Windsor, Miss Ether Hoots

CENTER: Mr. George Adams (Deacon, retired), Mr. Quincy Brooks (Deacon, Inactive), Mrs. Ila Shumate

DEHART: Mr. Thomas Roope

FAIRPLAINS: Mr. Raymond Anderson, Mrs. Edith Brookshire, Mr. Larry Brookshire, Miss Ann Billings, Mrs. Jettie Childress, Mr. T. R. Hankins, Mr. Onville Warren

HAYMEADOW: Mr. Percy Myers, Mr. V. M. Harrold, Mr. Carl Sebastian, Mr. Roby Walker

KNOBBS: Mr. Alan Lyon

MT. PISGAH: Mr. Bill Miller, Mrs. Avie Richardson

MT. ZION: Mrs. Ella Kilby

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Mrs. Effie Higgins

MT. VIEW: Mr. LeRoy Porter, Mr. Brack Richardson

PINE VIEW: Mrs. James Wyatt, Mr. Lloyd Sebastian

PLEASANT RIDGE: Mr. J. D. Carter, Mr. Loyal Carter, Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh

PLEASANT VIEW: Mrs. Margie Cox

ROARING GAP: Mrs. W. F. Cooper

UNION: Mr. Sam Calloway, Mrs. Laura Dancy

WALNUT GROVE: Mrs. Nae Cleary, Mrs. Eddie Adams, Mrs. Dora Brown

CALENDAR FOR THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION 1974

JANUARY 1974

January — MAKE YOUR WILL MONTH
7-9 — State VBS Clinic, Wingate College
7-11 — January Bible Study (Colossians)
14 — Ministers Conference Mountain View Church
18-19 — Home Mission Teacher Training, CaRAway
25-27 — High School Seniors' Retreat, CaRAway
27 — Baptist Men's Day
28 — Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs, Raleigh
29 — Council on Christian Higher Education, Raleigh
29-30 — General Board Meeting, Baptist Building, Raleigh

FEBRUARY

3 — Baptist World Alliance Sunday
4-6 — State Wide Evangelism Conference, Greensboro War Memorial Auditorium
9 — Summer Missions Interviews, Hickory
10 — Race Relations Sunday
10-16 — W.M.U. Week
11 — Ministers Conference Mountain View Church
16 — Summer Missions Interviews, Chapel Hill
17 — Special Day Offering for Homes for Aging
28 — Regional Adult Choir Festivals Raleigh, Temple and Elkin, First

MARCH

3-10 — Week of Prayer for Home Missions and Annie Armstrong
11 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
12-13 — W.M.U. Annual Session, Winston-Salem, Convention Center
12 — Regional Sunday School Teaching Improvement Workshop, Ridgecrest Conference Center
13 — Regional Sunday School Teaching Improvement Workshop, Statesville
18 — Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs, Greensboro
18-20 — Statewide Christian Life on the Family, Greensboro
19-20 — Rural Church Conference, Fruitland

APRIL

4 — Day Camp Directors Workshop, Wingate College
8 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
14 — Easter Sunday
19-20 — Weeknd RA Camp (Grades 4-12), CaRAway
19-21 — Family Camping Weekend, CaRAway
21 — COOPERATIVE PROGRAM DAY
26-27 — Weekend RA Camp (Grades 1-3), CaRAway
26-27 — State Church Library Workshop, Charlotte
26-27 — Joint Youth Convention, Winston-Salem

MAY

1-3 — State-wide Sunday School Children's Division Workshop
Ridgecrest Conference Center

10-11 — Baptist Women Retreat, Mundo Vista

12 — Baptist Hospital Day and Mothers Day Offering

13 — Communications Administration and Evangelism Conference
Greensboro First

13 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church

13-14 — Preachers Camp Meeting, Truett Camp

17-18 — Baptist Women Retreat, Mundo Vista

17-18 — State RA Track Meet, Gardner-Webb College

19 — Baptist Radio and Television Sunday

20-24 — Senior Adult Conference, Caswell

27 - June 3 — Baptist Summer Opportunities Orientation,
Gardner-Webb College

JUNE

9 — Religious Liberty Sunday
9-10 — W.M.U. Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas
10 — Camp Begins, Mundo Vista
RA Camps Begin, CaRAway (10 weeks)
Truett Camps Open, (Region 10)
10 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
10 — Pastors Conference Religious Education Conference and
Music Conference, Dallas, Texas
10-13 — Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas, Texas
16 — Baptist College Day and Scholarship Offering
18 — Council on Christian Higher Education
21-22 — Baptist Young Women Retreat, Mundo Vista
24-28 — Girls in Action Camp, Fruitland

JULY

1-5 — Girls in Action Camp, Fruitland
1-5 — Week of Christian Study and Fellowship, Mars Hill College
4 — INDEPENDENCE DAY
7 — Christian Literature Day
22-26 — Associational Superintendents of Missions Conference,
Fruitland
31 — Sunday School Associational Briefing Meeting, Ridgecrest
31 - Aug. 4 — Baptist World Youth Congress, Portland, Oregon

AUGUST

15-18 — Retreat for Exceptional Persons, Caswell
16 — Youth Evangelism Night, Winston-Salem
19-23 — Week of Prayer for Associational Missions
22-24 — Convention Staff Retreat, Caswell
23-24 — Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Fruitland
25 — ON-TO-COLLEGE-DAY
30-31 — Workshop for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Mundo Vista

SEPTEMBER

2 — LABOR DAY
6-7 — Workshops for Associational W.M.U. Officers, Mundo Vista
6-7 — Crusader RA Congress (Grades 1-6), Greensboro, First
9 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
12 — Children's Homes Area Conference, Thomasville, Mills Home
13-14 — Chairman of Deacons Conference, Greensboro, Friendly Avenue
13-14 — Brotherhood Leadership Training Retreat, CaRAway
13-15 — State BSU Officers Workshop, CaRAway
15 — State Missions Day and Offering
20-21 — Mother-Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista

OCTOBER

2 — Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches
4-5 — Pastors & Sunday School Directors' Workshop, CaRAway
4-5 — Father-son RA Camp (Grades 1-3), CaRAway
9 — Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches
11-12 — State Youth Council Retreat, Mundo Vista
11-12 — Pastors and Sunday School Directors Workshop, Ridgecrest
11-13 — Deacon's Retreat, CaRAway
13 — BIBLICAL RECORDER DAY
14 — Ministers Conference Mountain View Church
15 — Council on Christian Higher Education, Mundo Vista
16 — Workshop for Youth Sunday School Workers in small Churches North Wilkesboro
16 — Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches
18-19 — Father-son RA Camp (Grades 1-3) CaRAway
23 — Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches
24-26 — Senior Adult Retreat, CaRAway
30 — Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the Churches

NOVEMBER

1-3 — Fall BSU Convention, Ridgecrest
3-10 — RA Week in the Churches
4-6 — Joint Baptist State Conventions, Raleigh, Memorial Auditorium
11 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
11 — Baptist Men's Convention, Raleigh
11-13 — Sunday School Special Workers Training, Ridgecrest
17 — Baptist Children's Homes Offering
21 — THANKSGIVING
24 — Baptist Childrens Homes Offering

DECEMBER

1-8 — Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
9 — Ministers Conference, Mountain View Church
25 — CHRISTMAS DAY (Wednesday)
29 — Student day at Christmas

TABLE A—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0)	Services twice on Sunday? Y	Services twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present non-resident members	Grand total present members	No .members received from non-Baptist denom.	No. members lost to non-Baptist denominations	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property, incl. pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this assoc. year
Baptist Home	C. Frank Sitton, R1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1880	1	....	*	14	1	7	424	60	484	.....	.....	30,000	180,000	2,000
Benham	Joseph A. Blackburn, R2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1917	1	....	*	5	7	12	164	90	254	1	2	.....	35,000	.....
Center	(Interim) John West, Wilkesboro 28697	Wilkes	1886	2	*	....	3	4	17	253	23	275	.....	.....	22,000	70,000	6,376
Dehart	Clarence Brown, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1879	1	....	*	26	4	1	178	59	237	.....	.....	.....	18,000	2,770
Elk Spur	Boyd Caudill, Traphill 28685	Wilkes	1900	1	....	*	.....	.....	1	55	24	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairplains	W. J. Taylor, R5, Box 641-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1902	4	*	....	45	27	22	511	118	629	1	.....	60,000	235,000	16,893
Haymeadow	Amos Combs, R1, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1905	1	....	*	16	7	15	278	6	284	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Knobbs	John Love, R1, Ronda 28670	Wilkes	1906	2	....	*	3	.....	7	158	61	219	.....	1	.....	40,000	1,750
Maple Grove	J. T. Hendrix (Interim) Hays 28635	Wilkes	1932	2	*	....	6	.....	11	210	50	260	.....	.....	20,000	85,000	3,856
Mount Pisgah	Jerry G. Winkler, R4, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1879	1	....	*	7	4	4	140	30	170	.....	.....	.....	17,000	.....
Mount Zion	Jim Miles, R1, Box 443-AB, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1898	1	....	*	6	15	8	127	3	130	.....	.....	.....	11,000	.....
Mountain Valley	Rex Shumate (Interim) N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1902	1	....	*	1	3	5	117	85	202	.....	.....	.....	50,000	1,500
Mountain View	Samuel F. Putnam, P.O. Box 47, Hayes 28635	Wilkes	1912	2	*	....	7	7	8	174	37	211	.....	.....	25,000	60,000	.....
New Light	Amos Lyon, R2, Box 248-A, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1899	1	....	*	.....	2	.....	88	80	168	.....	.....	.....	30,000	.....
Pine View	Dean Dillard, R1, Box 391, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1935	1	....	*	5	11	6	162	80	242	.....	1	.....	50,000	.....
Pleasant Ridge	Geo. B. Hyler Sr., R2, Box 247, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1907	2	*	....	2	3	5	236	58	294	.....	.....	30,000	200,000	32,919
Pleasant View	Mitchell Ray Davis, 1051 Fox Hall Dr., W-Salem 27106	Wilkes	1944	1	....	*	3	3	10	169	55	224	.....	.....	.....	65,000	1,500
Roaring Gap	E. R. Wiles, R1, Box 215, Thurmond 28683	Wilkes	1894	1	....	*	10	3	5	194	95	289	.....	.....	.....	45,000	.....
Rock Springs	Major M. Caudill, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1904	1	....	*	5	2	2	117	63	180	.....	.....	.....	10,000	.....
Stony Ridge	Ebert Billings, R1, Roaring River 28669	Wilkes	1905	1	....	*	2	.....	6	103	35	138	.....	.....	.....	30,000	.....
Traphill	Mace Johnson (Assoc. Supply) Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1887	2	....	*	9	7	1	75	30	105	1	.....	.....	25,000	400
Union	Julius Blevins, R1, Box 385-G, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1911	1	....	*	2	4	5	91	44	135	1	.....	.....	42,000	.....
Walnut Grove	Minter Blevins (Interim) Hays 28635	Wilkes	1902	1	....	*	.....	1	5	64	102	166	.....	.....	.....	4,500	.....
Welcome Home	Burr Holcomb, 232 Min. Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642	Wilkes	1967	1	....	*	3	4	1	85	.....	85	.....	.....	.....	15,000	3,000
TOTALS							180	119	164	4173	1288	5460	4	4	187,000	1,317,500	72,960

TABLE B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Preschool enrolment (5 years & under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound Units enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment, Mission(s) of Ch.	Total ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study Fellowship Classes	Bible Study Fellowship enrolment	January Bible Study enrol.	Weekday Bible study enrolment	Bus attendance	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Mission V.B.S. enrolment	Total V.B.S. enrolment
Baptist Home	Danny Church, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	44	49	44	25	95	15	10		3		285	185	4	25				100		100
Benham	Johnny Jackson, R2, Box 190-A, Elkin 28621	21	20	20	29	49	14			14		167	112			30			78		78
Center	Jimmy Minton, R1, Box 223, N. Wilkesboro 28659	19	25	25	15	36	26			4		148	100	6		25	1		92		92
Dehart	Bruce Rhoades, R1, McGrady 28649	14	17	18	13	35				10		107	87	1	15				118		118
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Roaring Gap 28668																				
Fairplains	T. Leon Church, 155 Sparta Rd., N. Wilkesboro 28659	95	105	77	24	106	18			7		432	212			54		115	231		231
Haymeadow	Roy Myers Sr., R1, Hays 28635	30	30	25	30	75	25			5		220	120					15	182		182
Knobbs	Roger Luffman, R1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685	18	20	18	37	33	10			9		145	93						76		76
Maple Grove	J. T. McGlamery, Hays 28635	26	19	26	15	53				5		144	87						72		72
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R1, Box 158, Traphill 28685	19	10	11	28	30	4			8		110	84								
Mount Zion	Rev. Albert Byrd, R1, Box 267, N. Wilkesboro 28659	10	7	10	23	25	8			2		85	60						55		55
Mountain Valley	Wayne Reavis, R5, Box 614, N. Wilkesboro 28659	3	21	27	10	28	18			3		110	86	1	15				54		54
Mountain View	Don Grit, R1, Roaring River 28669	9	23	18	10	40	12			4		116	78						86		86
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669	9	6	14	14	34	9			2		86	62						58		58
Pine View	John D. Brown, R1, Box 95, McGrady 28649	12	22	20	30	52	10			2		171	112						87		87
Pleasant Ridge	Ralph Collins, R1, State Road 28676	9	34	34	31	67	34			5		214	147						90		90
Pleasant View	Paul Mounce, R1, State Road 28676	53	35	34	32	60	51			16		281	133						82		82
Roaring Gap	James Holcomb, R1, Box 493, Jonesville 28642	13	28	13	36	47	22			2		161	143						128		128
Rock Springs	Wallace Royster, McGrady 28649	4	4	7	11	29	14			4		73	50						41		41
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, R1, Roaring River 28669	13	8	7	16	28				10		72	63								
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R2, Elkin 28621	5	7	7	4	20	3			2		48	35	1	20				77		77
Union	Bobby Bowlin, R1, Millers Creek 28651	9	12	13	4	42				2		80	55						55		55
Walnut Grove	Paul Blevins, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	4	9	11	7	16	3			2		51	35						24		24
Welcome Home	Alton Caudill, Traphill 28685												70					25	70		70
TOTALS		439	511	479	444	1000	296	10		121		3306	2209	13	75	109	1	155	1856		1856

TABLE C—TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. Adult enrol. (60 and over or retirement and over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Church Training attendance	Member Training Projects	
												Registration	Completed
Baptist Home	Floyd Coffey, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	7	11	10		40		2		70	50		
Center	Ray Nichols, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	4	8		7	3	5		28	22	22	17
Mountain Valley	Gene Reavis, R1, Wilbar 28696		12		6	12		1		31	20		
Mountain View	Commie Hays, Hays 28635	1	2	2		8	4	4		21	15		
New Light	Michael Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669	1	1	7	3	4	3	5		19	13		
Roaring Gap	Richard Blackburn, R1, Box 207, Thurmond 28683	7	6	5	13	24	15	2		72	52		
TOTALS		17	36	32	22	95	35	18		241	172	22	17

TABLE D—CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensemble enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music enrolment	Church music study group enrolment
Baptist Home	Wayne Hays, R1, Box 448, N. Wilkesboro 28659				25				1		26	15	
Benham	Mrs. Joseph A. Blackburn, R2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621			5	20				3		28	18	
Center	Joe Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659			10	12				4		26	15	
Dehart	Don Rhoades, R1, McGrady 28649												
Elk Spur													
Fairplains	Gary Keener, P.O. Box 1301, N. Wilkesboro 28659			18	32		25		1		76	58	12
Haymeadow	Jim Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659												
Knobbs	Albert Spicer, R2, Box 189-A, Elkin 28621	5	10	15	38				4		72	60	
Maple Grove	I. C. Cleary, P.O. Box 29, Hays 28635	4	10	4	20				3		41	30	15
Mount Pisgah	Mrs. Dorothy Bell, R1, Hays 28635	4	4	10	20						38	30	
Mt. Zion	John Shepherd, R1, Purlear 28665												
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659		10	20	15	1			2		46	15	
Mountain View	Paul W. Gregory, Hays 28635		12	12	18				5		47	31	
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R1, Roaring River 28669		1	5	15				3		21	19	
Pine View	Miss Pamela Brown, R1, McGrady 28649		9	5	15		1	2	1		33	22	
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621			14	25				4		43	22	
Pleasant View	Henry Bryant, Thurmond 28683			20	25				5		50	50	
Roaring Gap	Roy Baker, R1, Box 93, Traphill 28685	8	10	6	42			2	3		71	60	
Rock Springs	Claude Absher, McGrady 28649												
Stony Ridge	Ford Cothern, Elk Spur St., Elkin 28621		6	15	20						41	40	
Traphill	Justus Bauguess, R1, Traphill 28685		4	5	16						25	20	
Union	Virgil Bumgarner, R2, Wilbar 28696												
Walnut Grove	Ervin Pruitt, R1, Box 112, Hays 28635												
Welcome Home	Marjie Brown, McGrady 28649												
TOTALS		21	76	164	358	1	26	4	39		684	505	27

TABLE E—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. grad to 29 yrs.)	Baptist Women (30 or over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 yrs.)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
Baptist Home	Mrs. C. Frank Sitton R1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	1	1	1	1		6	17	21	10	8	46	16		118
Benham	Mrs. James C. Byrd, R2, Box 150, Elkin 28621		1	1		1		3		3	6		10	5		24
Center	Mrs. Lois Ann Shumate, R1, Box 194, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1		1		4	4	4	5		13	2		28
Fairplains	Mrs. Charles Norman, P.O. Box 81, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	2	1		4	4	12	5	17	8		25	6		61
Knobbs	Mrs. Richard Harris, Thurmond 28683					1		1					10	4		14
Maple Grove	Mrs. Nona Blevins, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1			1		3	4	7			12	4		27
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Joe Faw, R1, Wilbar 28696						1	1						3	3	6
Mountain View	Mrs. Samuel F. Putnam, P.O. Box 47, Hays 28635					1		1					13	3		16
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R1, Roaring River 28669					1		1		1	5	1	6	3	1	13
Pine View	Mrs. Reba Dillard, R1, Box 391, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1		1		4	5	13	8		14	3		43
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Odessa Luffman, R1, State Road 28676		1	1		1		3		7	8		16	3		24
Pleasant View	Mrs. Joyce Callaway, R1, State Road 28676		1	1		1	3	3		8	7		20	8		43
Welcome Home	Ella Mae Sparks, R1, Traphill 28685											12				12
TOTALS		6	9	7	1	14	8	42	35	81	57	21	185	60	4	429

TABLE F—BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA Leader and committee	Bap. Young Men enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Baptist Men enrol. (30-59 yrs. or 30 to retirement)	Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	Other Baptist men groups	Brotherhood Director	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Baptist Home	Steve Call, R1, Box 472, N. Wilkesboro 28659	16	10	2	.....	27	.....	.....	1	.....	56
Benham	Scott Norman, R2, Box 151-A Elkin 28621	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	1	.....	9
Fairplains	Roy Absher, R5, Box 659, N. Wilkesboro	12	3	2	.....	15	.....	.....	5	.....	37
Maple Grove	Vaughn Hawkins, R1 Hays 28635	5	2	2	.....	9	.....	.....	1	.....	18
TOTALS		23	15	6	.....	51	8	.....	8	.....	120

TABLE G—TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES AND STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

CHURCHES	CHURCH TREASURER'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Number of tithers	Budget prom. emphasis used			Coop. prog. goal % of budget	Assc. mis. % of budget	Tot. tithes, all offerings, and spec. gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed this year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction past year	Debt retirement	Church Literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
			None	Forward prog.	Other												
Baptist Home	R. S. Absher, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	65	*			14.	1	38500		38500		12800		3799	1705	10940	29244
Benham	Claude Settle, R2, Elkin 28621	15	*			2.2	1.5	19647		19647		5920			626	9207	15753
Center	S. B. Absher, P.O. Box 291, N. Wilkesboro 28659	22	*			7.	1.5	22227		22227		7900		6511	487	9632	24530
Dehart	Mrs. Rachel Rhoades, R1, McGrady 28649	2	*					5568		5568		624	618	1065	230	661	3798
Elk Spur																	
Fairplains	J. Boyden Johnson, 19 School St., N. Wilkesboro 28659	50	*			3.6	1	52500	2723	55223	3300	18000		3000	1200	14000	36200
Haymeadow	Sue Myers, R5, Box 639, N. Wilkesboro 28659		*					11286		11246		4291			256	4025	8572
Knobbs	Lorene Luffman, R1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685		*			3		4450	85	4535	1750	1390		1500	218	2934	6042
Maple Grove	Jerry Carter, Hays 28635	12	*			1	1.8	13094	1126	14220	5359	3730	1123	1867	388	3846	10954
Mount Pisgah	Miss Alice Billings, R1, Box 205, Traphill 28685	8	*					5977	1451	7428		2782			333	1868	4983
Mount Zion	Mrs. Wanda Shumate, R1, Box 5-T, Hays 28635		*				0.1	7061		7061		1050	3686	2879	139	801	8555
Mountain Valley	Sylvan Kilby, R1, Millers Creek 28651		*			2	0.1	7020		7020	3000	2080	5200	2745	321	1233	9580
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635	15			*	1.7	.2	13445	434	13879		4373			470	1827	8670
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669		*			.04	.3	5242		5242		2486	1034		217	697	4434
Pine View	Mrs. Jeanette Bumgarner, R1, Box 164-B, N. Wilkesboro 28659	10	*			.3	.1	17147		17147		7060			549	2324	9933
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Alene Luffman, R1, Box 85, State Road 28676	45				.4	.2	41022		41022		11053		13299	978	15419	40749
Pleasant View	Mrs. Martha Bryant, State Road 28676			*		.3	.3	14553		14553	1500	3975		1500	437	7824	13736
Roaring Gap	Mrs. Raymond DeJournette, R1, Box 84, Traphill 28685	20			*		.1	18514		18514		6000	2459		483	1679	10621
Rock Springs	Sylvia Haynes, McGrady 28649	3	*					13513		13513		1540			170	2915	4625
Stony Ridge	Mrs. Fred Cothern, R1, Traphill 28685							2490		2490		1200			210	1600	1810
Traphill	Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685	1	*					7057		7057	1400	2730	1010	1547	130	1904	7321
Union	Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, R2, Wilbar 28696	5	*					5357		5357		2500	498	1696	106	1388	6189
Walnut Grove	Mrs. B. J. Blevins, R1, Box 271, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	*					4014	70	4084		780			141	1019	1940
Welcome Home	Glenda Holcomb, 232 Min. Springs Rd., Jonesville 28642	16	*														
TOTALS								329648	5889	323759	16309	104264	15628	41408	9794	97743	268239

TABLE H—MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERK'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Ch. Sponsored MISSIONS			COOPERATIVE MISSIONS											
		Money paid out on new const. during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions Program	Designated: State missions	Desig.: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Of.)	Desig.: SBC For. Missions (incl. Lottie Moon offering)	Desig. Christian Educ. (Schools, etc.)	Designated: children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: hospitals	Designated: homes for the aged	Designated: all other (Bible Soc., Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total mission expenditures
Baptist Home	Mrs. Sybil Gambill, R1, Box 521, N. Wilkesboro 28659				5197	648		116	500		200	200			1664	6861
Benham	Mrs. James C. Byrd, R2, Box 150, Elkin 28621				280	200	157	216	529	94	202	257	110	298	2063	2343
Center	Bobby Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659				1320	390	57	80	488	25	51	51	41	1216	2399	3719
Dehart	Mrs. Maxine Shumate, R1, Box 125, McGrady 28649				21	60					90	45		147	342	363
Elk Spur	Cora Lee Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668															
Fairplains	Bill M. Pruitt, R5, Box 364, N. Wilkesboro 28659				1800	600	266	525	1300	56	100	100	100	14500	4847	19347
Haymeadow	Barney Harrold, R1, Hays 28635		410	410		300					101	95	98	714	1308	1723
Knobbs	Lee Von Speaks, R1, Traphill 28685					100			61			61		88	310	310
Maple Grove	Mrs. Eli J. Wentzel, R1, Hays 28635				100	180	10	131	188	49	21	45	20	250	714	814
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R1, Box 158, Traphill				50	120					100	25			245	295
Mount Zion	Mrs. Sue D. Shumate. P.O. Box 715, N. Wilkesboro 28659				44	84			10		46	12			152	196
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, R5, Box 614, N. Wilkesboro 28659				120	120	25	36	106		44	40			370	490
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635				160	200	15	316	500	15	40	40	10	15	1140	1300
New Light	Aldean Jolly, R1, Box 294, Roaring River 28669				120	120	14	17	40	19	64	33	16	32	355	475
Pine View	Gilmer Rhoades, R1, Box 196, N. Wilkesboro 28659				480	120		100	100		107	200	100		727	1207
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. E. A. Carter Jr., R2, Elkin 28621				775	415	166	212	568	50	101	125	100		1737	2512
Pleasant View	Mrs. Joan Haynes, R1, Box 218, State Road 28676				382	349			43		109	50	50	781	1382	1764
Roaring Gap	Raymond DeJournette, R1, Box 84, Traphill 28685				45	180					328	240		2337	3085	3150
Rock Springs	Fay Royster, McGrady 28649					60					25	25			110	110
Stony Ridge	Roger Brooks, R1, Box 300-E, Roaring River 28669															
Traphill	Mrs. Roy Billings, Traphill 28685				62	85	20	10	20	10	20	25	10	150	350	412
Union	Mrs. Mary South, R2, Box 170, Wilbar 28696				10	112					25	25	25		187	197
Walnut Grove	R. J. Johnson, R1, Box 238, Hays 28635					80			59		460	138	56	488	1281	1281
Welcome Home	Norlan Holcomb, R2, Elkin 28621															
TOTALS			410	410	10966	4523	730	1759	4512	318	2234	1832	736	21016	24768	48869

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

Blackwell Printing Company
Elkin, North Carolina 28621

B
Z06.975
M66 ato

ANNUAL

OF THE

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

UNION CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 20, 1974

AND

ROCK SPRINGS CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 21, 1974

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

THEME

SHARING CHRIST THROUGH
TEACHING AND PREACHING

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WILL BE HELD WITH

Center Church, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Friday, September 26, 1975, 10:00 A.M.

Stony Ridge Church, Roaring River, N. C.

Saturday, September 27, 1975, 10:00 A.M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page No.
Dedication	4
Associational Directory	5 & 6
List of Messengers	7
Associational Budget 1974-75	8
Constitution	8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
Rules of Order	12
Articles of Faith	12, 13
Proceedings	13, 14
Moderator's Report	15
Clerk's Report	16
Treasurer's Report	17
Superintendent of Missions' Report	16
Sunday School Report	17
Vacation Bible School Report	18
Christian Training Report	18
Woman's Missionary Union Report	18
Report of the Committee on Nominations	15
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina	22, 23

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Baptist Hospital Report 22

N. C. Baptist Homes for the Aging 23

Report on Christian Education 20

The Cooperative Program Report 21

Annuity Board Report 21

Baptist Foundation Report 19, 20

Library Report 19

Histories 24, 25

Report on Time, Place and Preacher 25

Report of the Resolutions Committee 25, 26

In Memoriam Report 26

Ordained Ministers Who Are Not Pastors 28

Ministers Ordained This Year 28

Ministers Licensed During The Year 28

New Pastors 28

Our Beloved Dead 27

Calendar For The Stone Mountain Association
1974-75 ..... 29, 30, 31 ,32, 33, 34

Statistical Tables ..... 35 - 43

Map 44

The 1974 Stone Mountain Annual is dedicated to Mr. S. B. Absher of Route 1, North Wilkesboro.

Mr. Absher was born August 14, 1903 in Wilkes County, near North Wilkesboro to Mr. Freeland A. Absher and Mrs. Eugenia Jennings Absher.

In 1934 Mr. Absher was married to Miss Pearl Teague of Taylorsville, N. C.

As a Christian layman his influence was widespread as a public school teacher and later as a postal clerk in the North Wilkesboro Post Office.

Mr. Absher's faithful service as Clerk of the Stone Mountain Association for fourteen years (except for illness one year), his interest in the work of the Lord in his own church, the association, the state, and the Southern Baptist Convention, his helpfulness toward his fellow-laborers, his concern for the spiritual development of this area, and his cooperation in the on-going work of the association prompted this dedication to him.

Fellow-laborers with Mr. Absher use such terms as "one of the finest men I've ever known," "a more faithful Christian would be hard to find," "his willingness to go beyond the call of duty is outstanding," and "you won't find a more dedicated servant," to describe this man of God.

The Baptists of Stone Mountain Association and Wilkes County are most grateful to Mr. Absher for his example in Christian service.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY 1974-75

Directors of Missions ..... Mrs. Mabel C. Couch, R-4, Box 426, North Wilkesboro 28659

Stone Mountain Association, R-4, Box 426, N. Wilkesboro
Telephone 838-5218

Moderator ..... Rev. Frank Sitton, R-1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Wm. J. Taylor, R-1, Box 641-B, North Wilkesboro 28659

Clerk ..... S. B. Absher, P. O. Box 291, North Wilkesboro 28659

Treasurer ..... Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, R-2, Wilbar 28696

Chairman of Evangelism .... Rev. Wm. J. Taylor, R-1, Box 641-B, North Wilkesboro 28659

General Board .. Rev. Frank Sitton, R-1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Heads of Organizations

Ministers Conference

Sunday School ..... Roger Luffman, R-1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685

Church Training ..... Floyd Coffey, R-5, Box 571, N. Wilkesboro 28659

Music ..... James R. Rhoades, R-1, North Wilkesboro 28659

W.M.U. ..... Mrs. Jerry Swaim, R-1, Traphill 28685

Librarian ..... Mrs. R. C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685

Brotherhood ..... Denver Holcomb, R-1, Thurmond 28683

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is made up of the General Officers, Heads of the Organizations, all Pastors and one member from each church.

Nominating Committee

Rev. Joseph F. Blackburn ..... R-2, 91-B, Elkin 28621

Rev. Herman Johnson ..... Hays 28635

Carroll Dancy ..... Hays 28635

Committee on Arrangements

Rev. Glenn Huffman ..... R-1, Wilbar 28696

Graden Foster ..... R-1, North Wilkesboro 28659

Harold Lyon ..... R-1, North Wilkesboro 28659

Committee On Time, Place and Preacher

C. C. Blevins ..... R-5, North Wilkesboro 28659
Odell Whittington ..... R-1, Wilbar 28696
Rev. Glenn Huffman ..... R-1, Wilbar 28696

Committee on Resolutions

Rev. Mace Johnson ..... R-1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651
Bruce Dearman ..... 14 Jones Ave., North Wilkesboro 28659
Rev. Julius Blevins ..... R-1, Box 280-B. Millers Creek 28651

Program Committee for 1975

Rev. M. L. Blevins ..... Hays 28635
Rev. Clarence Brown ..... R-1, North Wilkesboro 28659
Rev. Bobby Brown ..... R-1, Hays 28635
Rev. Amos Lyon ..... R-2, Elkin 28621
Rev. Sam Putnam ..... P. O. Box 47, Hays 28635

Hospital Representative

Rev. Burr Holcomb ..... 232 Mineral Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642

Homes for Aging Representative

Odell Whittington ..... Wilbar 28696

Children's Home Representative

Julius Blevins ..... R-1, Hays 28635

Associational Sunday School Officers for 1974-75

Director ..... Roger Luffman, R-1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685
V.B.S. Director ..... Mrs. Mabel C. Couch, R-4, Box 426, North Wilkesboro 28659

Associational Church Training Officers

Director ..... Floyd Coffey, R-5, Box 571, North Wilkesboro 28659

Associational W.M.U. Officers

Director ..... Mrs. Jerry Swaim, R-1, Traphill 28685

Associational Ministers Conference

President ..... Rev. H. I. Johnson, Hays 28635
Vice President ..... Rev. Spencer Edmonds, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Secretary ..... Rev. Samuel Putnam, Hays 28635
Program Committee ..... Rev. W. J. Taylor, N. Wilkesboro 28659

LIST OF MESSENGERS

BAPTIST HOME: Mr. and Mrs. Wade Barlow, Mrs. Gwyn Caudill, Jim Kilby, Hubert Whittington

BENHAM: Cletus Settle, Rex. Barker, Wayne Pardue, Conrad Sparks, Ernest Byrd, Marcus Tucker

CENTER: George Elledge, Mrs. Minnie Reynolds, Mrs. Barbara Barnes, Mrs. Annie Wyatt, Mrs. Jean Edmonds, Elmer Barlow

DEHART: Estel Rhoades, Mrs. Ola Handy Shumate, Guy Shumate, Mrs. Maie Rhoades, Mrs. Faye Brown, Mrs. Vestie Porter

ELK SPUR: Boyd Caudill, Quincy Royall, Buddy Caudill

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. Bessie Dancy, Mrs. C. C. Gambill, Mrs. Everette Felts, Miss Mary Louise Jones, Mrs. W. J. Taylor, John Higgins

HAYMEADOW: Johnny Myers, Ed Roberson, Mrs. Faye Parsons, Mrs. Doretha Blevins, Mrs. Rose Brown, Ernest Key

KNOBBS: Mr. and Mrs. Commie Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harris, Roger Tilly, Mrs. Brenda Spicer, Mrs. Linda McCann

MAPLE GROVE: C. C. Blevins, Richard Hollis, Mary Johnson, Annah Lee Wingler, Dixie Wentzel, Nona Blevins

MOUNT PISGAH: L. G. Billings, Carol Wiles, Willard Billings, Jerry Hall, Rex Harrold, David Miller

MOUNT ZION: None

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Mae Faw, Ben Faw, Joe Faw, Jerry Kilby, Mace Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Graden Foster

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Rev. Lester Johnson, Vernon Woodruff, Bruce Dearman

NEW LIGHT: Aldean Jolly, Homer Shepherd, Fred Dowell, Clifton Prevette, Dewitt Blackburn, Carylon Shepherd

PINE VIEW: Rev. Albert Pruitt, Mrs. Stella Burke, Mrs. Jackie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Bumgarner

PLEASANT RIDGE: Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Luffman, Mrs. Dala Thompson, Mrs. Ester Murray

PLEASANT VIEW: Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Burchett, Eddie Anderson, Ether Cockerham, Gordon Chambers, Barney Crabb

ROARING GAP: Earl Burke, Dewey Nickolson, Gilmer Pardue, Howard Harris, Gwyn Hayes

ROCK SPRINGS: Comey Taylor, Barney Shumate, Robert Wagoner, Odessa Taylor, Pearl Dancy, Bernice Reedy

STONY RIDGE: Rev. G. B. Crabbe, Jim Cothren, Jerry Brooks

TRAPHILL: Mac Warren, Mrs. Fred Brown, Mrs. R. C. Pruitt, Mrs. Doris Daye, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hayes

UNION: Frank Huffman, Jesse Staley, Bobby Bowlin, John A. Whittington, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Whittington

WALNUT GROVE: R. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Handy, Mrs. Larry Handy, Mrs. Ervin Pruitt, Mrs. B. J. Blevins

WELCOME HOME: Rev. Burr Holcomb, Bob Hall, Judy Sparks, Judy Hall, Glenda Holcomb

BUDGET FOR 1974-75

Superintendent of Missions Salary	$5,200.00
Superintendent of Missions Expenses	780.00
Associational Office Expense	300.00
Annuity Board	400.00
Convention Expense	125.00
Printing of Minutes	400.00
Christmas Gift for Supt. of Missions	50.00
DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES:	
Sunday School	75.00
Training	50.00
W.M.U.	50.00
Brotherhood	15.00
Music	15.00
Minister's Conference	25.00
Clerk's Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Supplies	40.00
Evangelism	100.00
Library	25.00
Miscellaneous	25.00
TOTAL	$7,775.00
Expected from churches	6,775.00
Expected from State Convention	1,000.00
NET TOTAL	$7,775.00

Respectfully submitted,
The Budget Committee

THE CONSTITUTION FOR STONE MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article I—NAME

This association shall be known as The Stone Mountain Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of the officers of the Association, Pastors of the churches affiliated therewith, ordained ministers, and Messengers from the churches that have been received into the fellowship of the Association, and that continue Baptist in faith and practice, and that cooperate with the association, and support the agencies of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Amendment—Each church with a resident membership of two hundred or less shall be entitled to three elected messengers, and those having more than two hundred resident members shall have an elected messenger for each hundred or major fraction thereof beyond the first two hundred resident members, but not exceed a total of ten elected messngers.

Section 1-a We will not receive any church into our fellowship that practices or consents to practice baptism by any method(s) other than immersion or who receives or agrees to receive anyone into their

fellowship by letter or any other method(s), who have been baptized by any method(s) other than immersion.

If any church within our Association should violate this constitution by practicing or agreeing to practice baptism by any method other than immersion, or receive or agree to receive members by letter or any other means, who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, shall be considered in violation of our constitution and upon such knowledge of this fact said church will be notified by our Executive Committee of their violation and placed on one year probation and instructed to correct such violation within this year and report said action to the Association. Failure to take any of said action would result in their dismissal from the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in our first annual meeting following this one year probation period.

Section 2. All visiting Brethren shall be seated and given the privilege of discussion, but will not be allowed to vote.

Section 3. Newly constituted churches shall become members of this association upon their adoption of this Constitution and two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 4. The Association may at any time dissolve connection with any church that becomes herterdox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter for two consecutive sessions without sufficient reason, or that ceases to be missionary in practice. The support of the causes fostered by the denomination at large and of this Association in particular shall be the test of each Church as a missionary body.

Article III—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to devise and promote measures for increasing the harmony and spiritual power of the Churches within our bounds, and to promote and develop their eneggies in advancing God's Kingdom throughout the earth in compliance with the teachings of the New Testament and in cooperation with the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Article IV—ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS AND MEETINGS

Section 1. The Churches shall report annually not only the statistical information for any facts concerning their general welfare. The clerk shall furnish each church with printed forms for their annual report at least six weeks before the annual meeting of the Association, and the Churches are requested to have these reports returned to the clerk at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place or places as may be agreed upon.

Section 3. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article V—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Officers of the body shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer. Associational Missionary, and the heads of the organizations as set forth: 1. Sunday School; 2. Training Union; 3. Woman's Missionary Union; 4. Brotherhood; 5. Music; 6. Ministers' Conference.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at Meetings of business; to keep order during each session, to decide

questions of order and to perform other duties pertaining to the office. In the absence of the Moderator. the Vice-Moderator shall perform these duties.

Section 3. The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and they shall be fraternal visitors to the Churches throughout the year.

Section 4. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body, furnish the churches with blank letter forms, supervise the printing of the minutes, and distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association, and shall disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purpose for which the funds were contributed. He shall render an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements to the budget committee upon request, and to the Association at its annual meeting.

Article VI—COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committees of the Association shall be:

(a) Executive; (b) Program; (3) Arrangements; (d) Nominating; (e) Time, Place, Preacher; (f) Resolutions; (g) Budget.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee and its chairman shall consist of three members, and shall be appointed by the Moderator at the beginning of the first session of the Association. This committee shall, as soon as possible, meet and assign the members of the various committees, and name the standing committees and their chairmen. Also, it shall name any other committee assigned to it.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association as set forth in Article V, Section 1. Also the pastor and one member of each Church. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall be stated officers of the committee.

ing of five brethren, besides the Moderator and Clerk. It shall be the duty of this committee to make all plans for each annual meeting of

Section 4. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consist-the Association; to consider all letters of grievanves or queries, together with letters from corresponding associations or our State Baptist Board requiring any attention thereon, and to report same back to the Association. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise Lordship over God's heritage but shall be considered as an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

Section 5. The Program Committee shall consist of five members council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the who shall prepare the order of business for their annual meetings. Printed copies of the suggested order or business shall be distributed to those attending the opening sessions of the Association. The Chairman shall be designated by the Nominating Committee. Time shall be allotted for reports on the following subjects: Missions; Education; Orphanage; Temperance; Sunday Schools; Periodicals; Minister's Retirement; Home for the Aging; Pastoral and Church Relations; Training Union; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood; Evangelism; Music; Time, Place and Preacher; and any other reports the Association deems necessary. The Program Committee will assign and contact all persons that are to give reports at the Annual Associational Meeting, not later than June 1.

Section 6. The Associational Missionary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee at any annual session of the Association or any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. His/Her election shall be by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers or members present. He/She shall serve until the relationship is terminated by mutual consent.

He/She shall have the same relationship to the organizations of the Association as a pastor has to the organizations of the church.

He/She shall lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Executive Committee.

He/She shall promote the whole program of the Association, the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

He/She shall act as an ex-officio member of the Committees of the Association as listed in Article VI, Section 1.

His/Her work shall be under the direction of the Association and Executive Committee.

He/She shall have administrative supervision of such work as may be assigned him/her by the Association.

Section 7. The officers of the Associational Sunday School, the Associational Training Union, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union, the Associational Brotherhood, and the Associational Music Department shall be elected by their respective organizations at the last meeting in the Associational year by their own methods. The list of officers will be furnished the Nominating Committee, who shall present them to the Association for approval at the time of the election of the officers of the Association. Those persons elected for officers in these organizations will serve in cooperation with the officers already serving until they are approved by the Association, at which time they shall assume full responsibility of office. All persons nominated for office in the Association will be contacted, personally, prior to the election of officers.

Section 8. The officers shall assume their duties at the close of the Associational meeting at which they are elected and shall serve until the close of the next annual session, with the exception of the Clerk. The Clerk shall assume his duties at the beginning of the session at which he is elected and shall serve until his successor is elected at the next annual session.

Section 9. The Budget Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. The Moderator shall serve as Chairman. This committee shall meet before the annual meetings of the Association and prepare a budget to cover all anticipated needs of the Association for the next Associational year. The committee will cause the budget to be printed and distributed to the members at the annual meeting. The committee will suggest a pro rata share of the budget for each church affiliated with the association for their consideration and approval.

Article VII—MINISTERS

Each Church having ordained or licensed ministers shall report the same to the Association in order that their names may be compiled in the minutes.

Article VIII—CHANGE

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed change be read to the Association during the first day of the annual meeting — the churches having previously been notified.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and only one member shall speak at a time.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject and shall use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. No member shall speak more than twice upon one subject except by permission of the body.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association. nor whisper in time of public speech.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation than that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the clerk as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled, and he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any person who shall willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1st. We believe in only one true and living God; Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd We beliebe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted and regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subject of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode is by immersion.

7th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

8th. We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS

The Seventy-eighth Annual Meeting of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association, held Friday and Saturday, September 20th and 21st, was well attended by more than 100 representatives of the 24 churches in the association.

Friday's all-day session was held at Union Church at Wilbar and the Saturday Morning Session, at Rock Spring Church at McGrady.

The Rev. Frank Sitton, pastor of Baptist Home Church and Moderator of the association, reported that the churches showed much progress during the year by increased membership and contributions.

Friday Session opened with the congregation singing Hymn #1, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." Words of welcome were given by Rev. Julius Blevins, pastor of the host church, who spoke briefly, closing with prayer.

Devotional Period, under the direction of Rev. Herman Johnson, pastor of Maple Grove Church, spoke from Matthew 7:21, "That a Wise Man Builds on Rock Instead of Sand." He closed with prayer.

Roll Call of Churches was made and it was noted that all churches were represented.

Appointment of committees was next order of business. These were made by the moderator, followed by the recognition of new pastors and visitors. Among these were Eugene Poston, W. A. Poole, Calvin Knight, Charles Hodges, and Sam O'Neal, each representing a special phase of State Convention work, colleges, Homes for Aging, Baptist Children's Homes, Baptist Hospital and the Annuity Board.

At this time the moderator presented Mrs. Mabel Couch, the newly selected Superintendent of Missions. She was received graciously by the congregation in pledging her full support. She responded in like manner and stated that it was her desire to serve and lead the association in the cause of Christ.

The Book of Reports was adopted upon being presented by the moderator.

Speaker from the Baptist State Convention was Rev. Sam O'Neal. Speaking for the Annuity Board, he followed closely the associational theme, "Sharing Christ Through Teaching and Preaching."

After singing a hymn, The Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev.

Samuel Putnam, pastor of Mountain View Church, speaking from Acts 2:37, "What Shall We Do?" He brought a very stirring message by stating that repentance is the requirement of a Christian. He closed with prayer.

The host church served a delicious meal for which Rev. Albert Pruitt, recently called to the pastorship of Pine View Church, returned thanks.

The afternoon session opened by singing Hymn #276, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Rev. Johnson continued with the Devotional Period, speaking from the last chapter of Matthew. He closed his remarks with prayer.

Dr. Eugene Poston, President of Gardner Webb College, spoke on Christian Education, stressing "The greatest thing for Christians to do is pray for one another." Others speaking briefly were Charles Hodges for Children's Homes; W. A. Poole, Homes for Aging; and Calvin Knight, for the Baptist Hospital.

Benediction was given by Rev. Spencer Edmonds, recently elected pastor of Center Church.

Saturday Morning's Session opened with the congregation singing "Standing on the Promises."

Devotionals were again conducted by Rev. Herman Johnson. Text, "Preach the Word."

Reports were received and accepted from the following committees: Nominating, Time, Place and Preacher, and Resolutions.

Under Miscellaneous Business, former Superintendent of Missions, Rev. Mace Johnson, presented the association with a gavel to be used by the presiding officers in future meetings. The Clerk, S. B. Absher, read a letter from Piney Grove Church, stating that the church had voted to be dismissed from the association. The request was granted.

Rev. Woodrow Hill, speaking on Christian Literature, gave a very interesting discourse on the power of the printed page over the spoken word as he expounded the subject, "My People Do Not Know."

At this time all were saddened as Mrs. Mabel Couch read the names of those deceased during the year. She gave a fitting tribute to the memory of each departed loved one, offering condolence of the association to the bereaved. A moment of silent prayer was observed.

The hymn, "Amazing Grace," was sung, after which a motion was made to give Mrs. Couch a standing vote to pledge support in her new field of work as Superintendent of Missions. Everyone stood and gave her a happy welcome.

Rev. W. J. Taylor, pastor of Fairplains Church, bringing the closing message, stressed "Ye Shall Receive Power Preaching the Word." He also stated that it was by seeking repentence through faith in Jesus Christ, closing with prayer and returning thanks for the delicious meal waiting to be served by the host church. Rev. Major Caudill, pastor of the newly built Rock Springs church, had given a most hearty welcome and now directed the people to the dining area of the church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
OFFICERS 1974-75

MODERATOR ..... Rev. Frank Sitton
VICE-MODERATOR ..... Rev. Bill Taylor
CLERK ..... Mr. S. B. Absher
TREASURER ..... Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE
MUSIC ..... Mr. James Rhodes
SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR ..... Mr. Roger Luffman
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. I. V. Couch
CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTOR ..... Mr. Floyd Coffey
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ..... Mrs. Gaye Swaim
LIBRARIAN ..... Mrs. R. C. Pruitt
BROTHERHOOD ..... Mr. Denver Holcomb
EVANGELISM ..... Rev. W. J. Taylor
HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE ..... Rev. Burr Holcomb

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Joe Blackburn ..... Rt. 2, Elkin, N. C.
Rev. Herman Johnson .....
Mr. Carroll Dancy ..... Hays, N. C.

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Rev. Glenn Huffman ..... Wilbar, N. C.
Mr. Graden Foster ..... Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Mr. Harold Lyon ..... Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR 1975

Rev. M. L. Blevins ..... Hays, N. C.
Rev. Clarence Brown ..... Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Rev. Bobby Brown ..... Rt. 1, Hays, N. C.
Rev. Amos Lyon ..... Rt. 2, Elkin, N. C.
Rev. Sam Putman ..... P. O. Box 47, Hays, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Amos Combs
Rev. Major Caudill
Mrs. Barbara Pardue

MODERATOR'S REPORT

I strongly believe our churches have progressed during the year. Many souls have been saved. Some of the churches show increases in Sunday School enrollment. Contributions have increased and support for mission causes is heartening.

We have some new pastoral leadership which has brought about some of our progress, and under God, will do much to advance the work of our Lord in future years.

We have been fortunate to get Mrs. Mabel Couch in our association as our associational leader. We believe this is the work of God and that she will be used of Him in forwarding our work in the association.

May God bless us as we work, live and serve together in days ahead!

Respectfully submitted,
Frank T. Sitton

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS REPORT

I traveled more than nine thousand miles. I preached nine revivals, in which a great number of souls were saved. I worked in four Vacation Bible Schools, with a number of professions of faith.

I enjoyed all my work as your missionary, but God was leading me back to pastor a church. After much prayer I believe I made the decision God would have me make. As I serve Mountain Valley Church in the association, I pledge my loyalty to God and the church, and will do anything I can to help any way I can if I feel it is within the teaching of the Bible.

I ask all of you to pledge to support the Stone Mountain Baptist Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mace Johnson

CLERK'S REPORT

All churches, except one, reported by letter and messengers to the annual associational meeting.

Data for the annual was prepared and delivered for printing. These were received early and copies were placed in the churches, all departments, institutions and individuals on our mailing list included.

I met with the Executive Committee May 13, at Mountain View Church. The Moderator stated that our Superintendent of Missions, Rev. Mace Johnson, had tendered his resignation which was read and accepted.

The Moderator appointed a Missions Committee whose duty was to recommend or nominate someone to fill the vacancy. This committee, including the Moderator, Rev. Frank Sitton, Rev. Sam Putnam, Rev. Amos Lyon, Odell Whittington, S. B. Absher, J. L. McGlamery and the chairman, L. G. Billings, had several meetings and discussions relative to this matter.

A meeting of the Associational Executive Committee was called for August 8, at Baptist Home Church. This meeting was well represented. Those not attending phoned the Moderator and voiced their willingness to abide by the decision made by those present. The Mission Committee reported and offered the name of Mrs. I. V. Couch for Superintendent of Missions of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association. The Moderator spoke in a very able manner relative to her qualifications and ability for the work. Rev. Putman spoke on the advantages of her serving the association followed by Rev. Amos Lyon, S. B. Absher and Odell Whittington. R. G. Billings, who could not be present, had called by phone and expressed his approval of the decision made by the committee at this meeting. Vote called for. Under discussion, Rev. Julius Blevins called for work guidelines which were read by the moderator. Vote taken. It was unanimous except for one vote. The moderator declared Mrs. I. V. Couch elected as Superintendent of Missions of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association subject to the terms of the last annual session.

May I thank each and every one for the many considerations shown me while serving as clerk of your association.

Respectfully submitted,
S. B. Absher, Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT 1973-74

BEGINNING BALANCE		$ 432.77
RECEIPTS		
Total received from churches	$5,108.00	
Total received from State Convention	640.00	
Total minute funds	532.25	
Total received from missionary	200.00	
State sales tax refund	17.48	
TOTAL OF ALL RECEIPTS		$6,497.73
GRAND TOTAL		$6,930.50
DISBURSEMENTS 1973-74		
Missionary's Salary		$3,899.97
Missionary's Expenses	810.00	
Annuity Board (retirement)	400.08	
Convention Expense	10.00	
Cost of Minutes	454.48	
Treasurer's Expense	5.50	
Clerk's Expense	100.00	
Miscellaneous	.47	
Department Expenses:		
Sunday School	51.38	
Church Training	—0—	
Evangelism	—0—	
Woman's Missionary Union	29.00	
Music	—0—	
Brotherhood	—0—	
Ministers Conference	—0—	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$5,799.27
BALANCE IN TREASURY		$1,131.23

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

As another year comes to an end, I look back with pride at the progress made this year among our churches, and yet just a little dissappointment that perhaps it could have been better.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my work as Sunday School Director although I have been teaching in my own church and did not get to each church in the association this past year. However, we have had one good Teacher Improvement Clinic and if you did not get to attend this clinic, or send someone from your church, I feel you missed a blessing. We had some well trained and well qualified teachers in charge of this clinic.

Let me encourage each church in our association to work closely together and share ideas so that we might be strengthened in these times when God's will is so needed in our world.

Some weeks ago I submitted my resignation to the Executive Committee for 1975 as I felt that with new undertakings at our own church and increased pressures at work, I would not have the time needed to fill this job. I ask your prayers and support for the new Sunday School Director. This will make his job easier.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Pardue

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

The "M" Night program was held at Mountain Valley Baptist Church with a good attendance and much enthusiasm of youth participating in the program. A Youth Choir from Baptist Home Church and one from Dehart Baptist Church performed well. Rev. W. J. Taylor performed with puppets. The Rev. Mace Johnson brought a very inspiring message.

I have not been called by any of the churches to assist them in any way in their Christian training programs. I am always ready and waiting to assist in any way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Floyd Coffey

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

As the Associational Woman's Missionary Union Director for the past year, I have begun to realize the importance of WMU to our churches. We as a "union" for Christ can be witnesses for Him by praying for missions, supporting missions and actually carrying out missions both at home and abroad. As we strive to win others to our Lord and Saviour, may we truly be "labourers together with God."

What a great purpose we have! My prayers are that more churches will become involved and many more women and girls will participate in WMU organizations. Thanks to all the leaders and members for your cooperation and support during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gaye Swaim

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who went with me to Wingate in January, 1974, and all who worked so diligently in order that we could have two VBS Clinic in our Stone Mountain Association.

I would also like to thank each pastor, VBS Director or Sunday School Director who encouraged your VBS workers to attend our clinics. This year we had half of our churches in our association represented at our clinics which was an improvement over last year, and for this we are grateful. Although I was grateful for the opportunity to serve our association as VBS Director, I could not help but be a little disappointed at the seemingly lack of interest among our churches in taking part in our clinics. We VBS workers tried to plan our picnics when we felt that people would be free to attend, and centrally located so no one would have to drive too great a distance. We also welcomed any suggestions that would make our clinics better or more advantageous and I'm sure Mrs. Couch will do the same.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask each church and pastor in our association to give Mrs. Couch your full support during the next year as she begins in a few months to plan and study for Vacation Bible School for 1975. She will be new in our association and will not be familiar with our people. Some of you have expressed to me a desire to go to Wingate next year and help in VBS. I would like to urge you to get in touch with Mrs. Couch real soon, and if any of you

pastors have people who you feel have the time and talents for this work that you encourage them to participate in this important work. Let's send a full team down there this year. Remember, it doesn't cost anything. Let's make 1975 the best year ever for Vacation Bible School in the Stone Mountain Association, and to God be the Glory.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Wayne Pardue

EVANGELISM REPORT

The State Evangelism Conference and Youth Program were held in Greensboro. Each were well attended and most left with a lasting impression of desire and knowledge to share their Christian experience with others.

Most of the churches of the association had better revivals this year than they generally do. Our church had an awakening which most felt was as great as many in their lifetime.

The State-wide Evangelism Conference will be in Greensboro on February 3-5. Again this year those who attend will likely come away rejoicing in the fellowship they experienced, therefore all laymen and pastors who can, will greatly profit by attending.

It would be well to think seriously about what Latourette said of Hudson Taylor: "He believeth that Christ had laid the command on his disciples to preach the Gospel to every creature and that this was binding on all Christians. He was convinced that God did not wish any soul to perish. He also held that God's resources are limitless and that God is willing to place them at the disposal of any who will come to Him in simple faith and seek to use them for the accomplishment of His will."

Respectfully submitted,
George Hyler

LIBRARY REPORT

We should really be concerned about providing a library in each church in our association. By having a library especially for our young people, it could mean much toward helping them to understand Christianity. It would help fill their minds with something other than the undesirable materials that are available today.

Any church that would like to have help toward getting a library may contact your missionary office and it will be glad to help. We should be grateful for this advantage that is ours and put forth a greater effort to install a library in each church where this service is not available.

To the churches that do have libraries, let's use those books to improve our Christian faith.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. was established in 1919 to give sound support and a firm base to all the good and noble efforts of North Carolina Baptists in their state and world programs of missions, ministry and education.

While we give a great deal of attention to the preparation and execution of wills we would remind you that a foundation is for the living. The whole concept of wills — the distribution of one's property when he dies — is predicated on the assumption that someone continues to live.

Often we are reminded, "You can't take it with you," but we should not forget that "You can determine what happens to it when you are gone." In the modern maze of tax law, the North Carolina Baptist Foundation may be able to assist the living to live more securely. Some form of trust may actually give a person more spendable income, even as he gives away part of his money. Our government of, by and for the people has established tax laws which encourage charitable contributions. The North Carolina Baptist Foundation is, itself, a charitable institution. It also receives, holds in trust and distributes funds to any other charitable institution according to the instructions of donors.

Service to the living includes handling of trust funds, estate and money management planning, and preparation of wills. Commitment to the deceased includes probate of wills and qualifying as executor. Increasing numbers of North Carolina Baptists are electing to provide for Baptist causes through the ministry of the Foundation. For more information contact Edwin S. Coates, P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Royall

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

While churches and colleges are not identical in their purposes, Baptist churches and Baptist colleges in North Carolina do their work in an atmosphere of mutual appreciation. This active partnership includes Baptist Youth Corps, student-led worship and revival services, visits to the campuses by pastors and other leaders, participation of faculty and staff in associational and local church programs, and special projects of promotion on behalf of the Cooperative Program.

Your seven Baptist colleges are grateful for the continuing financial support they receive through the Cooperative Program. During 1974, approximately 2,350,000 will undergird the work of North Carolina Baptist Colleges. As a very crucial and difficult time, these funds make a tremendous difference in the quality of programs offered by our schools.

The colleges make a special effort to recruit North Carolina Baptist students through pastors and superintendents of missions. No qualified student will be turned away simply because of inability to pay. Baptist colleges are anxious to enroll the young people from our churches.

Our colleges work together and with the State Convention through the Council on Christian Higher Education. The Council office is eager to assist both the churches and the colleges in the promotion of understanding and cooperation as together they deal creatively with persons in the name of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. Taylor

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board paid out a record nearly $16 million in retirement and protection benefits during 1973. This means that in the Board's history, it has now paid out over $100 million in retirement and protection benefits. More than 9,000 retired pastors and other church-related vocational workers or their widows receive the benefits.

In addition, the Annuity Board set another record. This one was for funds held in trust for those participating in retirement and protection plans while still in active service. About 38,000 pastors, other church staff and denominational agency employes are included. Funds held in trust exceeded $350 million for the first time.

The Board issued another 13th check for annuitants shortly before Christmas 1973. It amounted to two extra months' worth of benefits and totaled $1,187,379. The 13th check helps annuitants whose benefits are fixed, to meet the rising cost of living. Payment of the 13th check is over and above the 12 contracted monthly benefits and depends from year to year on investment income.

Total Benefits Paid (Retirement) $15,506,663; Relief Benefits $189,-742 and number of relief recipients, 405.

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel Putman

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

More than 5,000 missionaries at home and abroad depend on gifts through the Cooperative Program for a salary each month. Over 3,000 of these have a basic ministry of evangelism, with all of the others using their skills as nurses, teachers, doctors, etc. to meet human needs in order to bring these to Christ. Through the Cooperative Program you are helping the widow, the homeless child, the homeless aged, the sick, plus the ministries of preaching and teaching.

Increasing the percentage given through the Cooperative Program is an excellent follow-through for the special offerings your church receives. Last year 1,236 churches increased Cooperative Program giving by 10 per cent or more over what they gave the previous year. Two of the associations in North Carolina had 100 percent of their churches giving through the Cooperative Program in 1973. These two associations were: Flat River and the Tar River.
Will you do four things?

1. Lead the church where you serve to increase Cooperative Program and associational giving by 10% or more.
2. Have a special prayer for your missionaries and mission causes during October Cooperative Program prayer month.
3. Send your check for Cooperative Program each month to Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, P. O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.
4. Help us have a good stewardship workshop in your association next spring or summer.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. Blevins

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

In spite of the growth in size and complexity of your Baptist Hospital, the emphasis is still upon "ministering with skill and understanding." Evidence of this is a typical patient's remarks recently, "from the head surgeon to the aid who handed me a glass of water with all the doctors, nurses, people in the business offices and chaplains in between, I was cheerfully given every personal consideration."

Changes and additions continue to be made for the purpose of providing better hospital care. Renovation of the progressive care unit has been completed and the South and West wings of the hospital building are now being renovated. Construction of the Ambulatory Care Unit is well underway and is scheduled for completion in the spring or early summer of 1975.

New discoveries continue to make possible better medical care. For example, a new EMI-scanner is to be installed and is expected to be in use by the end of this year. This device which combines the use of x-rays and computers will make it possible to detect brain tumors, blood clots, and strokes more accurately and more quickly. Scans can be completed in about 30 minutes and results can be available in another 5 minutes. There is no risk or discomfort involved and the patient does not have to be admitted to the hospital.

New approaches are also being made in the hospital's ministry to the emotional and spiritual needs of people. The division of human enrichment and development in the Department of Pastoral Care is conducting retreats, seminars, and workshops designed to help appropriate resources of the Christian faith to the various areas and experiences of life. The Pastoral Care Department has also opened its first satellite center in Fayetteville, N. C. to offer counseling and training to people in that area. Your cooperative program gifts help to support these ministries.

The school of nursing graduated its last class in May. The school has been in the process of phasing out for the past three years as a result of a trustee decision made in 1971.

In January the hospital had its only room rate increase in the past 3½ years. Nevertheless, the hospital continues to operate "in the black." The 1973 Mother's Day offering amounted to $375,000. At the time of this writing our 1974 Mother's Day gifts are running well ahead of the same time last year. These gifts are used to assist patients with the most urgent financial needs. A special committee of five Baptists from the Winston-Salem area assist personnel from the hospital business office and the department of denominational relations in administering these funds.

Your hospital staff and the people they serve are grateful for your interest, your prayers and your financial support.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Burr Holcomb

CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

Christian child care, a shared adventure, is working through faith to build a helping relationship with children and their families in need.

This year the recreation and administration buildings at Broyhill Home are almost completed. A cottage and two staff residences at

Kennedy Home will soon be dedicated. A challenge gift of $100,000 has been received to develop the Greer-Burris Home at Chapel Hill.

"The Mountain Within," a thirty minute film was made to tell the story of the Children's Homes. Since it was shown in the Piedmont Area Conference, September 12, and after statewide telecasts, it will be released for showings at churches, associations and other interested groups October 1, through the Department of Communications, P. O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

Mills Home provides high quality care for over two hundred school age children. Wall Home is pioneering in an outdoor adventure for teenage boys. An Emergency Care Home opened in Burlington, May 21 and in Charlotte in late summer which are cooperative ventures with Mt. Zion and Mecklenburg Associations to take care of local emergencies.

During the past year, North Carolina Baptists gave more than a million dollars to Christian child care in the North Carolina Baptist Children's Homes through the Cooperative Program, the Thanksgiving offering, and designated gifts and offerings. Rising costs and the need for expanding services challenge all of us — staff and supporters — to continue our investment in the shared adventure of Christian child care.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Julius Blevins

HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

Among the many vital ministries that you support are your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging. For over 23 years you have served hundreds of older people and making life much happier and secure for them through two means of income: (1) The Special Offering for the Homes, received on the 3rd Sunday of February each year; (2) The Cooperative Program. Gifts have increased each year, and offerings for 1974 will perhaps exceed $350,000, providing more than 30% of the budget needed to operate 5 resident Homes and the Nursing Care Unit.

God has blessed this ministry, leading you to establish two Homes in Winston-Salem, Resthaven, and the Hayes Home, and the Nursing Care Unit, and three other Homes at Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. In these Homes, 4 out of every 5 residents depend upon your love gifts and simply could not be cared for without your help.

During the past year the Trustees of the Homes decided to establish a 6th Home in Western North Carolina, to be located in Asheville on the Pearson Estate. A dedicated group of people in the Western Carolina area have organized the first initial phase of what will become, it is hoped, a major State-Wide fund-raising effort to obtain the necessary money to build this proposed Home, after approval by the General Board and the Baptist State Convention. This 6th home, the rise in living cost and the increasing needs of older people make it urgent that Baptist support be generous.

Respectfully submitted,
Odell Whittington

A HISTORY OF UNION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Compiled By

Odell Whittington

The history of Union Missionary Baptist Church, located near Wilbar post office, is inseparably linked with that of other smaller Baptist Churches organized in the vicinity as far back as 1880. The first one of these churches, of which we have any record, was Gwyn's Chapel. It was organized about 1880 near the site of Wilbar post office; there seems to be no record as to when it was dissolved. Later several members of the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church withdrew their membership from that church for purpose of organizing another Baptist Church. On September 26, 1881, the church at Gwyn't Chapel assisted them in organizing the South Fork Baptist Church. This church prospered, becoming a very influential little church. Later it joined with and became a part of Union Church.

Another Baptist Church which eventually consolidated with Union Church was the North Fork Church. This church was organized in the Whittington school house on December 11, 1908. A group of members from the Pleasant Home Baptist Church was present to assist in this organization. Charter members were Rev. L. B. Murray, J. W. Dancy, C. H. Colvard and John Walker. At a conference meeting held on May 26, 1911, a committee was appointed and instructed to locate a site and acquire the land title where the Union Church building could be erected. Both the South Fork and North Fork Churches were invited to join in the movement.

On June 17, 1911, at a conference meeting held with the South Fork Baptist Church, it consolidated with Union Church. At the same time, a delegation representing North Fork Baptist Church accepted the invitation to become a part of Union Baptist Church. On July 19, 1911, construction of the church building began on a site donated by the late C. H. Colvard; on the third Sunday in August, 1912, services were held in the new church for the first time. Rev. L. B. Murray was elected pastor; Rev. David Roten preached the first sermon in the new church. At a meeting held on December 18, 1912, the organization of the Union Missionary Baptist Church was effected by the consolidation of South Fork and North Fork Baptist Churches with Union. Since that time, the work of the church has been wonderfully blessed. It has constantly grown in numbers and influence until larger and more commodious quarters in which to carry on the increased activities of the church were necessitated. With this goal in mind, the construction of a new church began in 1954. The beautiful brick veneer building was recently completed at a cost of more than $20,000.

As of September, 1955, we had a membership of 193; a Sunday School enrollment of 100, with an average attendance of 95; a Vacation Bible School enrollment of 50; and a Training Union of 37. The entire community is justly proud of its church, which is one of the most beautiful and influental churches in this section of the county. Rev. A. A. Staley is pastor.

HISTORY OF ROCK SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Rock Springs Baptist Church was organized September 11, 1904 and the church was built soon after the land being donated by D. S. and Susan Absher. The first pastor was Rev. W. H. Key

Charter members were: John A. and Isabel Taylor, James and Candice Roberts, E. H. and Phoebe Jane Pruitt, Polly Brooks and Rebecca Wagoner.

The first Homecoming Service was held on the 50th Anniversary of the church in 1954 with the pastor, Rev. Watson Bryant in charge.

The church was rebuilt in 1973-74 with Dedication Services May 26, 1974, followed by a series of Fellowship Services with a different former pastor conducting the services each night throughout the week.

The present pastor (and pastor through the Building Program) is Rev. Major M. Caudill.

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER COMMITTEE

The next session (79th) of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in 1975 will be held as follows:

Time will be September 26, Friday, and Saturday, September 27th, 1975.

The place for Friday, the 26th, 10:00 a.m. will be at Center Baptist Church with Rev. Mace Johnson as speaker and Rev. Jim Miles as alternate.

The place for Saturday, the 27th, will be Stony Ridge Baptist Church with Rev. Joseph Blackburn as speaker and Rev. Major Caudill as alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. Blevins
Odell Whittington
Rev. Glenn Huffman

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved:

1. That we express our appreciation and gratitude to the pastors and members of Union and Rock Springs Baptist Churches for the delicious food and excellent accommodations provided for both sessions.

2. That we express to Rev. Frank Sitton, our Moderator, appreciation for his capable guidance and leadership, also to all associational officers and committee members for their dedicated efforts.

3. That we thank the Program Committee for well-planned and

uplifting programs and that we express our gratitude to those persons who provided music for and led us in our hymns.

4. That we express to Mrs. Mabel Couch, our missionary, our support and prayers.

5. That we express our appreciation to Rev. Sam Putman and Rev. W. J. (Bill) Taylor who brought messages to the association.

6. That we, the members of Stone Mountain Baptist Association, hold fast to our beliefs and convictions, and pledge ourselves to carry out the Great Commission which our Lord and Savious gave in Matthew 28:19 — "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mace Johnson
Rev. Julius Blevins
Mr. Bruce Dearman

IN MEMORIAM

It is appropriate that associations include in the annual sessions, a time of remembering the deceased, many of whom you will lovingly remember for their examples in Christian living, their able leadership in the church and association, and their influence for good in their lifetimes and in their victory in death.

May we stand and prayerfully and gratefully remember these whose names are called.

Longfellow said,

"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime;
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints in the sands of time."

Revelation 14:13 says,

"Blessed are the dead which die
in the Lord from henceforth;
Yea, saith the Spirit, that they
may rest from their labors, and
their works do follow them."

May we bow our heads in silent prayer, giving thanks for the lives of these whose names have been read from this list. Amen.

Our Beloved Dead

BAPTIST HOME: Mr. Glenn Eller

BENHAM: Mr. J. Van Byrd, Mrs. Sally Fields Byrd, Mr. Claude M. Settle - Deacon, Mr. J. Mayford Byrd

CENTER: Miss Thelma Roope

DEHART: Mrs. Julia Ann Harrold

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. Harvey Key, Mrs. Sam Lankford, Mr. Sherrill Rash

KNOBBS: Mr. James Luther Tilley, Mr. Nymphis Hawkins, Mr. Barney Spicer

MAPLE GROVE: Mrs. Noma Whitley, Mr. B. W. Pendry, Mr. Tom B. Hanks

MOUNT PISGAH: Mrs. Virginia Absher, Mrs. Martha Dillard, Mr. Jessee Russell

MOUNT ZION: Miss Pamela Davidson, Mrs. Emma Brown, Mr. Mickey Shumate

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Mae F. Brown, Julia Mitchell

NEW LIGHT: Mrs. Della Carter, Mr. R. C. Durham - Deacon, Mr. G. G. Smith - Deacon

PLEASANT VIEW: Mrs. Pearl Crabb

ROARING GAP: Sara Jane Collins

ROCK SPRINGS: Carol O. Wooten

STONY RIDGE: Mr. Ford Cothren - Deacon, Mr. Donald Cothren, Mrs. Caroline Cothren Webster

TRAPHILL: Mrs. Mary B. Wiles

UNION: Mrs. Isado Bumgarner, Mrs. Reece Griffin, Mr. Jesse J. South

WALNUT GROVE: Mrs. Martha Gambill, Mrs. Ellen Adams, Mr. Earl Cook

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

John Armes, Minter Blevins, Charlie Brown, C. W. Bryant, Albert Byrd, G. B. Crabb, Charles Dimmette, Lindolph Ford, J. Glenn Huffman, Lester Johnson, Fred Joines, J. E. Key, James T. Lawrimore, John McCann, Lonnie Pardue, Tommy Prevette, Allen Staley, John L. West, Billy Wiles.

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Charlie Brown, Mount Zion; James R. Rhoades, Haymeadow.

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

James R. Rhoades, Jackson Bell, Roger Townsend, Larry Carter, Earl Dean Hayes, Charles Mac Warren.

MINISTERS LICENSED BUT NOT ORDAINED

Jackson Bell, Paul E. Burgess, Larry Carter, Roger Townsend, Mike Bowers.

NEW PASTORS

CENTER — Spencer Edmonds, DEHART — Clarence Brown, MAPLE GROVE — Herman Johnson, MOUNT PISGAH — Ernest Blevins, MOUNTAIN VALLEY — Mace Johnson, PINE VIEW — Albert Pruitt, TRAPHILL — Bobby Brown.

INTERIM PASTORS

KNOBBS — Rev. J. Glenn Huffman, WALNUT GROVE — Rev. M. L. Blevins.

CALENDAR FOR THE STONE MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION 1975

JANUARY

5-10 — Campus Chaplains' Seminar
6-8 — State V.B.S. Clinic, Wingate College
6-10 — January Bible Study Week
10-11 — N. C. Baptist Trustee Orientation Conference
17-18 — Home Mission Teacher Training, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
21-22 — Sunday School Planning Workshop, Baptist Building, Raleigh
24-25 — Layman's Witnessing Institute
24-26 — High School Senior's Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
26 — Baptist Men's Day
28-29 — General Board Meeting, Meredith College and Baptist Building, Raleigh
28 — Council on Christian Higher Education Meeting

FEBRUARY

2 — Baptist World Alliance Sunday
3-5 — Statewide Evangelism Conference, Greensboro, War Memorial Auditorium
3 — Evangelism and Bus Ministry, First Church, Greensboro
8 — Summer Missions Interviews
9-15 — W.M.U. Focus Week
9 — Race Relations Sunday
14-16 — Marriage Enrichment Retreat, Eastern Area
15 — Summer Missions Interviews
16 — Homes for Aging Day and Offering
17-21 — Regional S. S. Workshops (East)
21-22 — Laymen's Witnessing Institute, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs
24 — Day Camp Conference
24-27 — Day Camp Workshop Tour
25 — Day Camp Conference
26 — Day Camp Conference
27 — Day Camp Conference
Regional Choir Festivals — Children 5:00 — Adults 7:30
Lower Creek Church, Lenoir
28 - March 1 — Day Camp Workshop, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
28 — Regional Choir Festivals — Children 5:00 — Adults 7:30
Ardmore Church, Winston-Salem
28 — Missions and Ministries Conference (SEBTS)

MARCH

1 — Regional Choir Festivals — Children 10:00
First Church, Morganton
Mission and Ministries Conference (SEBTS)
2-9 — Week of Prayer for Home Missions and
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
7-8 — Language Missions Conference, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
10-14 — Regional Sunday School Workshops (West)
11-12 — W.M.U. Annual Session, Ovens Auditorium, Charlotte
14-15 — Basketball Tournament (BSU)
17-21 — Workers With Exceptional Persons Workshop
17-21 — Children in Church Training Workshop
18-20 — Ministers' Conference, Gardner:Webb College, Boiling Springs
21-22 — N. C. Baptist Youth Choir Festival,
Pritchard Memorial Church, Charlotte
21-22 — State Pioneers RA Congress, Wake Forest University,
Winston-Salem
26-27 — Rural Church Conference, Fruitland Conference Center,
Hendersonville
30 — EASTER SUNDAY
31 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Promotion Rally,
Region 10, First Church, Bryson City — 7:30

APRIL

4-6 — BSU Spring Conference
6 — Adult Day in Sunday School
7 — Day Camp Conference
7-10 — N. C. Church Music Conference, Ridgecrest Conference Center
7-10 — Day Camp Workshop Tour
8 — Day Camp Conference
9 — Day Camp Conference
10 — Day Camp Conference
11-12 — Day Camp Workshop (West) Fruitland Conference Center,
Hendersonville
13 — Jewish Fellowship Week
17-19 — Special Consultants Workshop, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
18-19 — State Handbell Festivals, St. Johns Church, Charlotte
20 — COOPERATIVE PROGRAM DAY — 50th ANNIVERSARY
22 — State Church Building Conference, Baptist Building, Raleigh
23-25 — Associational GO Special Workers Workshop
25-26 — Weekend RA Camp, Camp Caraway, Asheboro — Grades 4-12
25-26 — Church Library Conference, Charlotte
25-27 — State Acteens Convention, Ridgecrest
25-27 — Family Camping Weekend, Camp Caraway, Asheboro

MAY

2-3 — Weekend RA Camp, Camp Caraway, Asheboro, Younger Crusaders, Grades 1-3
4-11 — Christian Home Week
7-8 — Baptist Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
8-10 — N. C. Youth Ministry and Recreation Conference, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
9-10 — Baptist Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
11 — Mothers Day and Baptist Hospital Day Offering
16-17 — Baptist Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
16-17 — State RA Track Meet
16-18 — Teachers and Interpreters of the Deaf Conference, Caraway
18 — Baptist Radio and Television Sunday
19 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Promotion Rally, Region 7, First Church, Boone 7:30
19-23 — Senior Adult Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
23-24 — Mother-Daughter Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
27 - June 3 — Youth Corps Orientation, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs
29-31 — Student Week at Ridgecrest
30-31 — Correctional Ministries Conference

JUNE

1-3 — Orientation for Summer Workers
1-4 — Student Week at Ridgecrest
1-8 — Precamp Training for Mundo Vista Camp staff
8-9 — WMU, SBC, Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida
9 — Truett Camp Opens (Region 10)
9 — Caraway Camp Opens
9-13 — Youth Ministries Week, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
9-13 — Girls-in-Action, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
10-12 — SBC Convention, Miami Beach, Florida
13-15 — Precamp Training for Fruitland Girls-in-Action Camp Staff
15 — Father's Day and Baptist College Scholarship Offering
16-20 — GA Camp, Fruitland Conference Center, Hendersonville
16-20 — Girls-in-Action Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
16-21 — Children's Choir Camp, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
20-21 — Baptist Young Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
23-27 — Church Ministries and Training Week, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
23-27 — GA Camp, Fruitland Conference Center, Hendersonville
23-27 — Girls-in-Action Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
25-29 — National Acteens Celebration #2, Memphis, Tennessee

29 — Christian Citizenship Sunday
30 - July 4 — Youth Bible Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
30 - July 4 — Acteens Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
30 — Week of Study and Fellowship, Mars Hill

JULY

4 — Independence Day
7-8 — Associational S. S. Officers, Raleigh
8-13 — Baptist World Alliance Congress, Stockholm, Sweden
7-11 — Children's Choir Camp, Fruitland Conference Center, Hendersonville
7-12 — World Missions Week, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
7-11 — Acteens Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
7-12 — Associational Sunday School Officers Briefing Meeting, Baptist Building, Raleigh
8-13 — Baptist World Alliance, Stockholm, Sweden
11-13 — Midcamp Training for Camp Mundo Vista staff
14-18 — Children's Choir Camp, Fruitland Conference Center, Hendersonville
14-18 — Youth Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
14-18 — Acteens Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
18-19 — Acteens Leaders Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
21-25 — North Carolina Superintendents of Missions Conference, Fruitland Conference Center, Hendersonville
21-25 — Acteens Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
21-26 — Youth-Adult Music Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
25-26 — Mission Friends Leaders Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
28 — Associational Sunday School Officers Briefing Meeting, Ridgecrest Conference Center
28 - Aug. 1 — Girls-in-Action Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
28 - August 1 — Youth Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport

AUGUST

4-8 — Youth Conference, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
4-8 — Girls-in-Action Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
9(15 — Southern Baptist WMU Conference, Ridgecrest Conference Center
10 — Language Missions Day
11-15 — Vacation Week, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport

11-15 — Girls-in-Action Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
14-17 — Retreat for Exceptional Persons, N. C. Baptist Assembly, (Caswell), Southport
15 — State-wide Youth Evangelism Night, Greensboro Coliseum
22-23 — Associational Officers Workshop, Fruitland Conference Center
24 — On-To-College-Day
29-30 — Associational Officers Workshop, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
29-30 — Brotherhood Leadership Training, Caraway

SEPTEMBER

1 — Labor Day
5-6 — Associational Officers Workshop, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
5-6 — State RA Crusader Congress
12-13 — Part Time/Volunteer Music Directors Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
12-13 — Couples Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
12-15 — State Officers Workshop
15-16 — Wide Area Youth/Adult Workshop, Whiteville
15-17 — Church Growth Seminar, Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest
15-19 — Missionary Education Dialogues
17-20 — Multi-Vention (Church Administration and Church Training, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
18-19 — Wide Area Youth/Adult Workshop, Asheboro
19-20 — Mother-Daughter Camp, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
21 — State Missions Day and Offering
22-25 — Area Sunday School Bible Conference
26-27 — Baptist Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
26-28 — Business and Professional Men's Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
28 - Oct. 5 — Sunday School Preparation Week

OCTOBER

1 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the churches
1-3 — Chaplains/Wives Renewal Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
2-3 — Tri-State Urban Seminar, Hayes Barton Church, Raleigh
3-4 — Baptist Women Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
3-4 — Pastors' and Sunday School Directors Workshop, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
3-4 — Adult Sunday School Workers Workshop, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
3-4 — Younger Crusader RA Camp, Camp Caraway, Asheboro, Grades 1-3

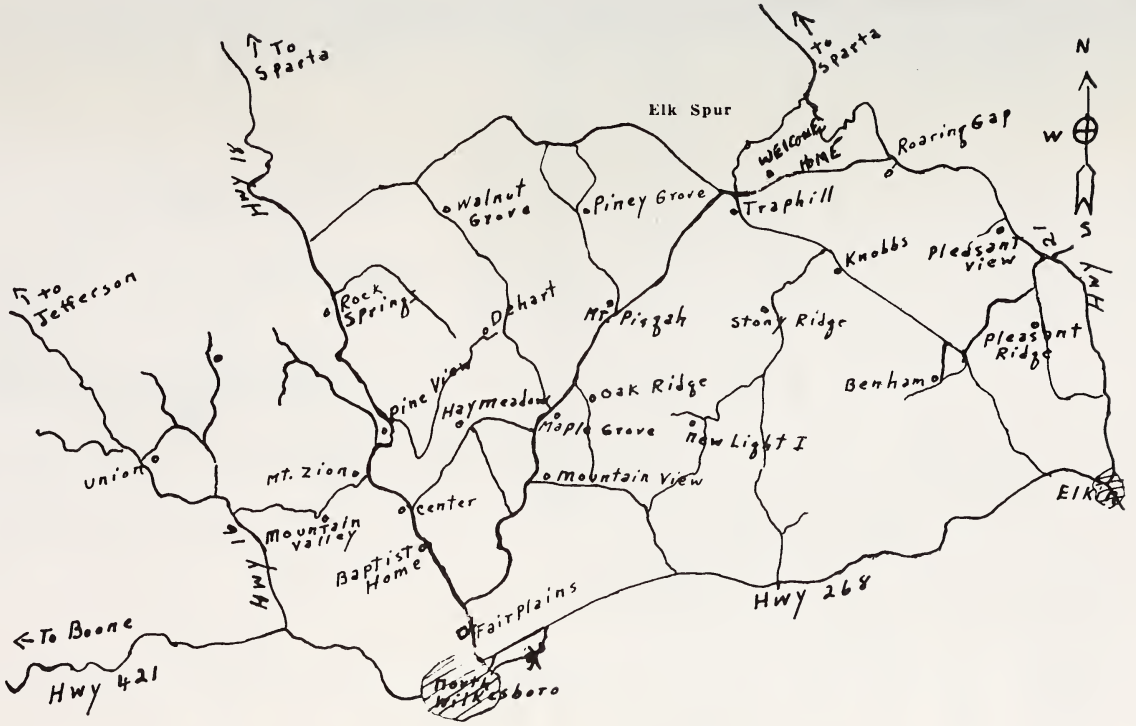
8 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the churches
10 11 — Pastors and Sunday School Directors Workshop, Ridgecrest Conference Center
10-11 — Baptist Young Women Convention (eastern)
10-11 — Festival of Creative Arts, Eastern
10-12 — Deacons Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
12 — Biblical Recorder Day
14 — Council on Christian Higher Education Meeting, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
14-15 — General Board Meeting, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
15 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the churches
17 — PraiSing Clinic
Friday — Wilkesboro Church, Wilkesboro
17-18 — Baptist Young Women Convention (western)
17-18 — Younger Crusader RA Camp, Grades 1-3, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
20-24 — Children's Sunday School Workshop Tour
22 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the churches
23 25 — Senior Adult Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
24-25 — Festival of Arts, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
24-26 — Baptist Women Houseparty, Ridgecrest Conference Center
27 — Sunday School Young Adult/Preschool Conference, Raleigh
28 — Sunday School Young Adult/Preschool Conference, Charlotte
29 — 50th Anniversary Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in the churches
30 — Sunday School Young Adult/Preschool Conference, Greensboro
31 - Nov. 2 — Marriage Enrichment Retreat, West
31 - Nov. 2 — Fall BSU Convention

NOVEMBER

2-9 — RA Week
3-5 — Urban Training Conference, Charlotte
7-8 — Youth Council Retreat, Camp Caraway, Asheboro
9-10 — State Laymen's Conference
10 12 — BSC CONVENTION, ASHEVILLE
16 — American Bible Society Day
21-22 — Associational Acteens Officers Retreat, Camp Mundo Vista, Asheboro
23 — Baptiht Children's Homes Day and Offering
26-29 -- International Student Conference
27 — Thanksgiving Day
30 - Dec. 7 — Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Offering

DECEMBER

25 — Christmas Day
28 — Student Day at Christmas



Stone Mountain Baptist Association

TABLE A—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

74

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0)	Services twice on Sunday? Y	Services twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present non-resident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property, incl. pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this assoc. year
Baptist Home	Frank T. Sitton, R1, Box 417, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1880	1		*	18	24	16	440	70	510		1	50,000	200,000	4,000
Benham	Joseph A. Blackburn, R2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1917	1		*	4	11	17	204	48	252	3			38,000	
Center	Spencer Edmonds, R1, Box 225, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1886	2	*		3	4	6	255	32	287			23,500	70,000	4,966
Dehart	Clarence Brown, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1879	1		*	4	2	5	179	59	238				20,000	1,491
Elk Spur	Boyd Caudill, Traphill 28685	Wilkes	1900	1						56	24	80					
Fairplains	Wm. J. Taylor, R5, Box 641-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1902	4	*		59	19	25	570	113	683	2	2	75,000	385,000	
Haymeadow	Amos Combs, R1, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1905	1		*	11	6	1	297	5	302					23,000
Knobbs	J. G. Huffman (Interim) Wilbar 28696	Wilkes	1906	2		*	5		14	150	60	210				42,000	
Maple Grove	H. I. Johnson, R1, Box 322, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1932	2	*			10	9	211	50	261	1	1	20,000	150,000	14,877
Mount Pisgah	Ernest Blevins, R1, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1879	2		*	1	5	14	140	24	164				20,000	
Mount Zion	Jim Miles, R6, Box 251, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1898	1	*		30	11	7	141	23	164				23,000	
Mountain Valley	Mace Johnson, R1, Box 596, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1902	1		*	10	10	7	137	77	214		2		55,000	
Mountain View	Samuel F. Putnam, P. O. Box 47, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1912	2	*		9	5	6	182	37	219			25,000	60,000	
New Light	Amos Lyon, R2, Box 248-A, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1899	1	*		9	3	6	94	80	174				30,000	
Pine View	Albert Pruitt, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1935	1		*	2	1	6	164	75	239				50,000	
Pleasant Ridge	George Hyler, P. O. Box 97, State Road 28676	Wilkes	1907	1	*		12	2	1	249	58	307			35,000	225,000	24,319
Pleasant View	M. Ray Davis. 1051 Foxhall Dr., W-Salem 27106	Wilkes	1944	1		*	27	10	3	141	117	258				100,000	
Roaring Gap	E. R. Wiles, R1, Box 215, Thurmond 28683	Wilkes	1894	1		*	14	1	2	207	95	302				50,000	
Rock Springs	Major M. Caudill, R1, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1904	1		*	11		1	128	62	190					
Stony Ridge	Ebert Billings, R1, Roaring River 28669	Wilkes	1905	1		*	2	2	13	94	35	129				30,000	
Traphill	Bobby Brown, R1, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1887	2		*	1	1	4	60	43	103				25,000	
Union	Julius Blevins, R1, Box 280, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1911	1		*		7	5	93	44	137				42,000	
Walnut Grove	M. L. Blevins (Interim) Box 27, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1902	1		*	4	1	8	62	101	163	1			6,000	
Welcome Home	Burr Holcomb, 232 Min. Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642	Wilkes	1967	1		*	3	3		91		91				22,000	1,800
TOTALS							239	138	176	4345	1333	5677	7	6	228,500	1,643,000	74,453

TABLE B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll enrolment (under 2 years of age)	Preschool enrolment (5 years & under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound Units enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment, Mission(s) of Ch.	Total ingling Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrolment	Weekday Bible study enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Mission V.B.S. enrolment	Total V.B.S. enrolment
Baptist Home	Gwyn Caudill, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	8	15	20	92	31	142	38	6		3		355	210				118		118
Benham	Rex Barker, R1, Box 153, Roaring River 28669	10	7	39	26	31	59	20			8		200	119	1	38		88		88
Center	Jimmy Minton, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	8	9	17	22	10	37	29			4		135	80	12			79		79
Dehart	Carl Brown, R1, Hays 28635		14	17	18	13	30				10		107	74				90		90
Elk Spur																				
Fairplains	T. Leon Church, 155 Sparta Rd., N. Wilkesboro 28659	4	63	146	46	129	85	35			12		520	300						
Haymeadow	Roy Myers Sr., R1, Hays 28635		30	30	25	30	75	25			5		220	123				148		148
Knobbs	Raymond McCann, R2, Elkin 28621	6	10	15	25	34	36	10			9		145	100	1	15		85		85
Maple Grove	J. T. McGlamery, Hays 28635	4	19	13	13	33	48	12			5		147	91				82		82
Mount Pisgah	Johnny Miles, R1, Traphill 28685		5	15	11	15	38	5	1	2	8		100	72				64		64
Mount Zion	Rev. Albert Byrd, R1, Box 267, N. Wilkesboro 28659	4	10	13	11	14	27	2			2		83	75				93		93
Mountain Valley	Wayne Reavis, R6, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro 28659		7	29	10	29	33	38					146	82	1	10		74		74
Mountain View	Joe Caudill, R1, Hays 28635	8	8	26	25		50	18			3		138	74				92		92
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669		12	16	13	12	33	7			2		95	60				52		52
Pine View	John D. Brown, R1, McGrady 28649	3	5	12	17	15	48	12	5				117	99				48		48
Pleasant Ridge	Ralph Collins, R1, State Road 28676	11	5	33	29	22	96	16			4		216	135	1	10		72		72
Pleasant View	Paul Mounce, R1, State Road 28676	7	13	26	41	58	39	25			4		233	144				94		94
Roaring Gap	David Lyon, R1, Traphill 28685	3	21	24	25	24	30	34			4		165	151				117		117
Rock Springs	Wallace Royster, McGrady 28649	2	5	1	13	14	21	20			4		80	49						
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, R1, Roaring River 28669	4	3	9	12	16	21	18			4		83	65						
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R2, Elkin 28621		6	6	10		36				2		60	38	1	20		64		64
Union	Bobby Bowlin, R1, Millers Creek 28651		16	10	13	8	32				2		79	61	1	35		68		68
Walnut Grove	Paul Blevins, R5, N. Wilkesboro 28659		5	9	12	9	20	4			2		59	40				23		23
Welcome Home	Norlan Holcomb, R2, Elkin 28621	5												65				60		60
TOTALS		87	288	526	509	547	1036	368	12	2	97		3483	2307	18	128		1611		1611

TABLE C—TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	Sr. Adult enrol. (60 and over or retirement and over)	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	Average weekly Church Training attendance	New Member Orientation		Church Leader Training		Member Training Projects	
												Registration	Completed	Registration	Completed	Registration	Completed
Baptist Home	Danny Church, R6, N. Wilkesboro 28659																
Center	Jeff Shumate, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659			10	3	3	5	5		21	20						
Mountain Valley	Maurice Kilby, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	10	8		12		4		36	20						
Mountain View	Vernon Woodruff, R1, Hays 28635		11	9		13	7	2		42	25						
New Light	Michael Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669		4	11	5	8	3	8		39	21	9	9	17	17	9	9
Roaring Gap	Michael Wiles, R1, Box 216, Thurmond 28683	6	10	3	13	21	15	4		73	69						
TOTALS		8	35	41	22	57	30	23		211	155	9	9	17	17	9	9

TABLE D—CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under, not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensemble enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General Music Leaders enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
Baptist Home	Wayne Hayes, R6, N. Wilkesboro 28659				25						25	16	
Benham	Mrs. J. A. Blackburn, R2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621		15	14	35		12	4	3		83	50	
Center	Joe Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659			15	20			3	2		35	23	
Dehart	Don Rhoades, R1, McGrady 28649												
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668												
Fairplains	Gary Keener, P. O. Box 1301, N. Wilkesboro 28659		34	30	35						99	69	
Haymeadow	Mrs. Doretha Blevins, R1, Hays 28635												
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, R2, Box 189-A, Elkin 28621	6	9	14	36				4		69	60	
Maple Grove	I. C. Cleary, P. O. Box 29, Hays 28635	6	4	12	16				4		42	30	16
Mount Pisgah	Mrs. Dorothy Bell, R1, Hays 28635	4	4	10	20				2		40	32	
Mt. Zion	John Shepherd, R1, Purlear 28665												
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659		11	3	16						30	20	
Mountain View	Paul W. Gregory, Hays 28635		8	6	25				3		42	15	
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R1, Roaring River 28669		1	6	16				2		25	23	
Pine View	Miss Pamela Brown, R1, McGrady 28649						15				15	15	
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621		12	20	22				5		59	32	
Pleasant View	Dewey Cheek, R1, State Road 28676		15	30	30				5		80	75	50
Roaring Gap		8	10	6	42			4	6		66		
Rock Springs	Claude Absher, R1, McGrady 28649												
Stony Ridge	Olen Gentry, R1, Roaring River 28669												
Traphill	Justus Bauguess, R1, Traphill 28685		4	7	15						26	20	
Union	Virgil Bumgarner, R2, Wilbar 28696			6	20						26	20	
Walnut Grove	Miss Julia Hanks, R1, Box 239, Hays 28635												
Welcome Home	Bob Hall, R2, Elkin 28621												
TOTALS		24	127	179	373		27	11	36		762	500	66

TABLE E—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. grad to 29 yrs.)	Baptist Women (30 or over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 yrs.)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
Baptist Home	Mrs. C. Frank Sitton, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	1	1	1	1		6	24	18	12	7	48	10		119
Benham	Mrs. Wayne Pardue, R2, Box 112, Elkin 28621		1	1		1		3		9	6		12	6		33
Center	Mrs. Jean Edmonds, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1		1		4	4	2	10		10	2		28
Fairplains	Mrs. Julius Barnett, R6, Box 19, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1		2	7	12	5	6	3		20	4	7	45
Knobbs	Mrs. Gaye Swaim, R1, Traphill 28685					1		18					12	6		18
Maple Grove	Mrs. C. C. Blevins, R5, Box 178, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1		1		4	4	5	4		12	6		31
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Joe Faw, R1, Wilbar 28696					1		1					8	3		11
Mountain View	Mrs. Carroll Dancy, R1, Hays 28635		1	1		1		3		13	10		16	5		44
New Light	Mrs. R. V. Garris, R1, Roaring River 28669					1		1					6	3		9
Pine View	Mrs. Claudius Absher, R1, McGrady 28649												10	3		13
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Odessa Luffman, R1, State Road 28676	1	1	1	1	1		5	4	11	8	10	21	1		55
Pleasant View	Mrs. Wilma McCann, R1, State Road 28676					1	1	2					20	8		28
Welcome Home	Ella Mae Sparks, R1, Traphill 28685															
TOTALS		6	7	7	2	12	8	59	41	64	53	17	195	57	7	434

TABLE F—BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA Leader and committee	Bap. Young Men enrol. (18-29 yrs. or H.S. grad. to 29 years)	Baptist Men enrol. (30-59 yrs. or 30 to retirement)	Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	Other Baptist men groups	Brotherhood Director & other Brotherhood General Officers	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Baptist Home	Steve Call, R6, N. Wilkesboro 28659	12	20	1	.....	20	.....	.....	1	.....	54
Fairplains	Roy Absher, R6, Box 518, N. Wilkesboro 28659	9	.....	1	.....	36	.....	.....	1	.....	38
Maple Grove	Joel Blevins, R2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welcome Home	Larry Sparks, R1, Traphill 28685	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS		21	20	2	.....	56	.....	.....	2	.....	92

TABLE G—TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES AND STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	CHURCH TREASURER'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Number of tithers	Budget prom. emphasis used: None	Budget prom. emphasis used: Forward prog.	Budget prom. emphasis used: Other	Coop. prog. goal % of budget	Assc. mis. % of budget	Tot. tithes, all offerings, and spec. gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed this year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction past year	Debt retirement during the year	Church Literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Baptist Home	R. Spencer Absher, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	65	*			14	1.	43,139		43,139		13,380		3,107	2,105	19,918	38,510
Benham	Larry Gentry, R2, Box 110-C, Elkin 28621	20		*		10	1.5	25,137		25,137		8,382	2,440		1,000	10,903	22,725
Center	S. B. Absher, R6, Box 133-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659	25	*			7	1.5	22,621		22,621		7,805		1,812	497	9,446	19,560
Dehart	Mrs. Bradley Rhoades, R1, McGrady 28649	2	*					5,099		5,099		921	1,100		187	1,944	4,154
Elk Spur																	
Fairplains	J. Boyden Johnson, 19 School St., N. Wilkesboro 28659	66			*	1	1	70,000	590	70,590		23,000	19,855	11,000	1,565	6,000	61,420
Haymeadow	Mrs. Sue Myers, R5, Box 639, N. Wilkesboro 28659		*					12,418		12,418	17,000	5,000		1,009	313	21,356	27,678
Knobbs	Mrs. Frances Simmons, R2, Box 208, Elkin 28621		*			.3		4,581	50	4,631	1,161	2,126		1,161	310	496	4,093
Maple Grove	Jerry Carter, P. O. Box 32, Hays 28635	17	*			1	1.8	16,731	71	16,802	15,000	4,761	17,229	4,295	422	2,568	29,275
Mount Pisgah	Miss Alice Billings, R1, Box 205, Traphill 28685	8	*					7,535	1,451	8,986		3,202			320	7,226	10,748
Mount Zion	Mrs. Wanda Shumate, R6, Box 307-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659							12,943	70	13,013		5,200	11,574	3,114	219	1,505	21,612
Mountain Valley	Sylvan Kilby, R1, Millers Creek 28651							8,526		8,526	2,500	2,343	2,462		320	1,029	6,154
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635	18			*	3	3	14,400	644	15,044		7,168			626	6,461	14,255
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669					.04	.04	56,000		5,600		2,365	749		210	1,598	4,922
Pine View	Mrs. Jeanette Bumgarner, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	10	*					22,063	484	22,547		8,120			578	2,368	11,066
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. Alene Luffman, R1, Box 85, State Road 28676	45			*	.5	2	39,352		39,352		12,492		8,600	847	13,513	35,452
Pleasant View	Mrs. Marina Bryant, R1, State Road 28676			*		5		23,552		23,552	21,000	3,900	25,904	4,751	324	6,662	41,543
Roaring Gap	Mrs. Raymond DeJournette, R1, Box 84, Traphill 28685	22			*			16,657		16,657		6,000	4,249		442	6,424	17,115
Rock Springs	Sylvia Haynes, McGrady 28649	3	*					15,398		15,398	20,000	1,540	46,236	2,874	187	1,591	52,427
Stony Ridge	Mrs. Fred Cothren, R1, Traphill 28685		*					2,707		2,707		1,104			322	2,340	3,766
Traphill	Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685		*					6,671		6,671		3,080		428	116	2,130	5,154
Union	Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, R2, Wilbar 28696			*			.5	11,707		11,707		2,850	2,923	1,806	125	2,953	10,657
Walnut Grove	Mrs. B. J. Blevins,, R1, Box 271, N. Wilkesboro 28659	3	*					4,315	79	4,394		780			162	2,064	3,006
Welcome Home	Glenda Holcomb, 332 Min. Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642	16															
TOTALS								441,552	3,439	444,991	76,661	125,519	134,721	43,957	11,197	130,495	445,892

TABLE H—MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERK'S NAME AND ADDRESS	Ch. Sponsored MISSIONS			OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES											
		Money paid out on new const. during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions Program	Designated: State missions	Desig.: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Of.)	Desig.: SBC For. Missions (incl. Lottie Moon offering)	Desig. Christian Educ. (Schools, etc.)	Designated: children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: hospitals	Designated: homes for the aged	Designated: all other (Bible Soc., Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total mission expenditures
Baptist Home	Mrs. Sybil Gambill, R6, Box 353, N. Wilkesboro 28659				5677	750		106	476	12	200	200			1744	7421
Benham	Mrs. James C. Byrd, R2, Box 150, Elkin 28621				2206	300		88	530		43	37	10		1008	3214
Center	Mrs. O. C. Barnes, Jr., R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659				1311	505	104	75	500	31	51	58	36	85	1445	2756
Dehart	Claude Handy, R1, McGrady 28649				45	60					50				110	155
Elk Spur	Cora Lee Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668															
Fairplains	Bill Pruitt, R5, Box 364, N. Wilkesboro 28659				540	550	100	1044	2500	50	300	200	100	960	5754	6294
Haymeadow	Barney Harrold, R1, Hays 28635					300					121	55	100	260	836	836
Knobbs	Roger S. Tilley, R2, Box 101-B, Elkin 28621				100	115		19	58		60	40	15		307	407
Maple Grove	Mrs. Eli Wentzel, R1, Box 312, Hays 28635				136	180	18	185	392	321	51	66	20	151	1095	1231
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R1, Box 158, Traphill 28685				50	120					100	25			25	295
Mount Zion	Mrs. Sue D. Shumate, P. O. Box 715, N. Wilkesboro 28659				61	110					48		13		171	232
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, R6, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro 28659					120		25	68		49	36	32		330	456
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635				359	300	68	380	768	30	132	90	28	30	1825	2184
New Light	Mrs. Homer Shepherd, R1, Roaring River 28669				129	120		25	36		40	25	16	45	307	436
Pine View	Gilmer Rhoades, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659				510	140		521	425		225	184	117	6	1618	2128
Pleasant Ridge	Mrs. E. A. Carter, Jr., R2, Box 248, Elkin 28621				1326	400	150	225	1509	55	126	150	125		2740	4066
Pleasant View	Mrs. Joan Haynes, R1, Box 218, State Road 28676				793	230			50		100	50	50	1125	1605	2399
Roaring Gap	Raymond DeJournette, R1, Box 84, Traphill 28685				43	180					300	500	440	2493	3913	3956
Rock Springs	Fay Royster, McGrady 28649					60					25	25			114	110
Stony Ridge	Roger Brooks, R1, Box 300-E, Roaring River 28669					110					158		40		308	308
Traphill	Mrs. Roy Billings, Traphill 28685				36	173	20	20	55	25	75	50	45		463	499
Union	Mrs. Mary South, R2, Wilbar 28696				26	240						25	25		290	316
Walnut Grove	R. J. Johnson, R1, Box 238, Hays 28635					60		71	65		450	77	59	125	907	907
Welcome Home	Norlan Holcomb, R2, Elkin 28621															
TOTALS					13348	5073	460	2784	7432	524	2704	1893	1271	5280	26911	40606

TABLE I—SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS AND ADRESSES	No. church-type missions started during the year	No. church-type missions currently operating	No. other-type missions started during the year	No. other-type missions currently operating	Number of active deacons	Number of church vocations volunteers	Doctrinal Emphasis Week enrolment	Number of college students baptized	Kindergarten enrolment	Day Care enrolment	DOES CHURCH HAVE OR OBSERVE? Does church plan or contemplate major bldg. program within yr.?	Library	Recreation staff	Children's worship service	Youth Week	Summer Youth Program	History Committee	Broadcast on Radio or TV	Christian Home Week	Annuity Board Ret. Program	Annuity Board Insurance Prog.	Race Relations Sunday	Royal Ambassador Week	Filmstrip projector	Deacon training	State paper in budget
Baptist Home	Gwyn Caudill, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659					11	1					no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes
Benham	Jimmy Burcham, R2, Box 21 A, Elkin 28621					11						yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
Center	Gwyn Gambill, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659					6						no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Dehart	Odell Handy, R1, McGrady 28649					7						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Elk Spur						3						....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Fairplains						15						no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes
Haymeadow	Arthur Harrold, R1, Hays 28635					9						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, R2, Box 189-A, Elkin 28621					8	2					no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no
Maple Grove	Vaughn Hawkins, R1, Hays 28635					14						no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no
Mount Pisgah	L. G. Billings, R1, Box 158, Traphill 28685					6						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mount Zion	Spencer Wyatt, Box 79, Sparta Rd., N. Wilkesboro 28659					4						no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, R1, N. Wilkesboro 28659					7						no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Mountain View	Troy L. Perry, Hays 28635					12						no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no
New Light	Clifton Prevette, R1, Roaring River 28669					5						no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Pine View	J. P. Adams, R1, McGrady 28649					6						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Pleasant Ridge	Burr Hutchison, 140 Oakland Dr., Elkin 28621					10						no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes
Pleasant View	Paul Mounce, R1, State Road 28676					12						....	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	....	....	no	no	yes	no	yes
Roaring Gap	Dewey Nickolson, R1, Box 218, Thurmond 28683					7						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Rock Springs	Montie Reeves, McGrady 28649											yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, R1, Roaring River 28669					5						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, R2, Elkin 28621					7						no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Union	Frank Huffman, R1, Wilbar 28696					9						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Walnut Grove	Ervin Pruitt, R1, Box 112, Hays 28635					6						no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Welcome Home						3						yes	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no

Blackwell Printing Co
ELKIN, NORTH CAROL

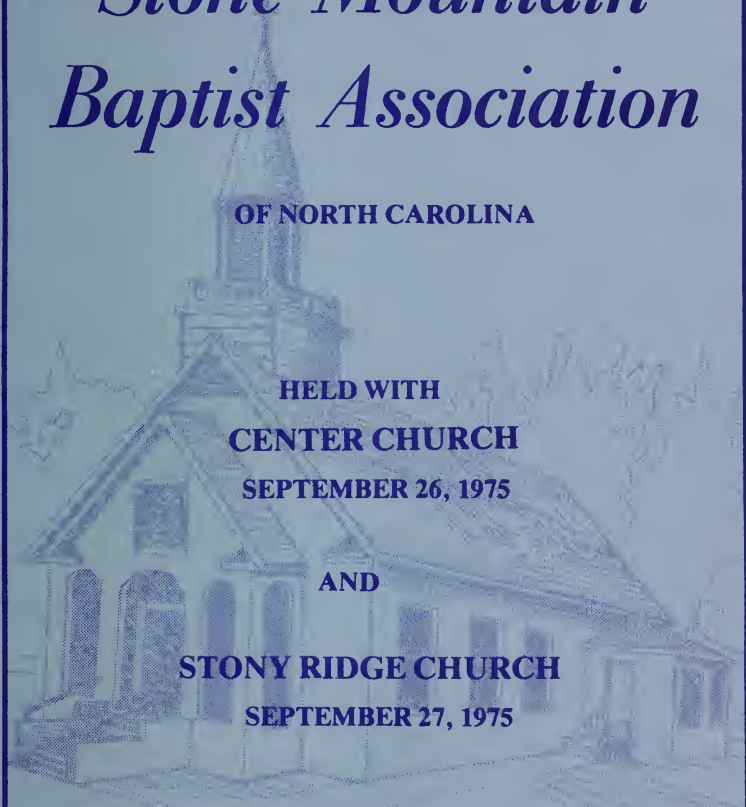
B
206.9756
M66 Sto

ANNUAL

OF THE

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA



HELD WITH

CENTER CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 26, 1975

AND

STONY RIDGE CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 27, 1975

SEVENTY-NINETH ANNUAL SESSION

THEME

"IN GOD WE TRUST — TO SHARE HIS LOVE"

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WILL BE HELD WITH

Mountain Valley Church, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro, N.C.
Friday, September 24, 1976 10:00 A.M.

Traphill Church, Traphill, N.C.
Saturday, September 25, 1976, 10:00 A.M.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Page No.

Dedication 4

Associational Directory 1975-76 ..... 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

List Of Messengers 9, 10

Budget 1975-76 11

Constitution 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16

Rules of Order 15

Articles of Faith 15, 16

Proceedings 16, 17, 18

Nominating Committee Report 18, 19

Moderator's Report 19

General Board Report 20

Director of Missions Report 20

Clerk's Report 20, 21

Treasurer's Report 21, 22

Sunday School Report 22

Vacation Bible School Report 23

Map 24, 25

Church Training Report 26

Woman's Missionary Union Report 26

Evangelism Report 26, 27

Library Report 27

Baptist Foundation Report 27, 28

Annuity Board Report 28

Cooperative Program Report 29

Baptist Children's Homes Report 30, 31

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Homes for Aging Report 31

History of Center Baptist Church 31, 32

History of Stony Ridge Baptist Church 32

Time, Place and Preacher Report 32

Report of Committee on Resolutions 32, 33

In Memoriam 33

Our Beloved Dead 34

Ordained Ministers Who Are Not Pastors 35

Ministers Ordained This Year 35

Ministers Licensed During The Year 35

Ministers Licensed But Not Ordained 35

New Pastors 35

Interim Pastors 35

Calendar For Year 1976 ..... 36, 37, 38

Statistical Tables 39-47

Stone Mountain Baptist Association has many pioneers for Christ, persons who established and promoted Southern Baptist work in this area. The way for an associational organization was paved by such a man, Rev. M.L. Blevins, who was born in Springfield of Wilkes County. In addition to Business College, Newman, Georgia, Seminary Extension and other education, Mr. Blevins is an honorable product of our own North Carolina Fruitland Bible Institute.

In 1926 Mr. Blevins and Miss Pearl Handy were married. To them were born three sons: Clyde H. of North Wilkesboro, M.L. Jr. and Bobby Lee of Winston-Salem. In Feb. 1976, this dedicated couple will observe their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Blevins was ordained into the Gospel Ministry by Walnut Grove Baptist Church in 1943. Churches he has served include Walnut Grove (10 yrs.), Dehart, Oak Ridge, Traphill, Harmony, Mtn. View and Benham (twice). He has also served as interim pastor in an untold number of churches.

Supposedly retired, The Reverend Blevins is presently serving as interim pastor at Walnut Grove. Along with all his other work, he always found time to serve the association - as Moderator twice and as Hospital Representative several years.

During his term as the FIRST ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY TO STONE MOUNTAIN, he "opened many doors," - working much of the time without salary, preaching and baptizing as many as 95 in one summer.

Needless to say, M.L. Blevins has the love and respect of the people of Wilkes County. His dedication and selfless commitment to the work of the Lord in Wilkes County has widened his influence throughout the state, nation and world because of his interest in and support of missions and the response of the churches which he served.

Many younger ministers turn to him for advice and counsel. This is no wonder when Mr. Blevins says that his motto is, "I had rather be criticized for doing right than to be praised for doing wrong. To God be the glory."

In love and appreciation this page is dedicated to our first Associational Missionary.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY 1975-76

Director of Missions.....Mrs. Mabel C. Couch, R-4, Box 426,
North Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 838-5218

Moderator.....Rev. Samuel Putnam, P.O. Box 47, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2905/696-2583

Vice Moderator.....Bruce Shumate, R-6, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 667-7839

Clerk.....Denver Holcomb, R-1, Thurmond 28683
Telephone 957-2591

Treasurer.....Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, R-2, Wilbar 28696
Telephone 838-4673

General Board Representative...Rev. C. Frank Sitton, R-1, Box 467
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 670-2213/670-2252

Chairman of Evangelism.....Rev. W.J. Taylor, R-5, Box 641-A
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 667-6695/838-8020

Librarian.....Mrs. Jean Edmonds, R-1 Box 225 N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2867

Chairman of Missions Committee....Rev. C. Frank Sitton, R-1, Box 467
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 670-2213/670-2252

V.B.S. Director

Ministers Conference

President....Rev. Spencer Edmonds, R-1, Box 225, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2028/670-2867

Vice President.....Rev. Earl Adams, R-1, Box 37 N. Wilkesboro 28697
Telephone 838-8484

Program Chairman.....Rev. Albert Pruitt, R-1, Box 432-A,
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 838-4476

Secretary.....Rev. Julius Blevins, R-1, Box 280-B Millers Creek 28651
Telephone 838-4827

Sunday School

Director.....Roger Luffman, R-1, Box 114-B Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-8310
(Age-Group Directors named by Org.)

Adult Director

Youth Directors-Mrs. Opal Shumate, R-1, Hays 28635, Telephone 957-8178
Mrs. Faye Brown, R-1, N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 670-2140

Children's Director...Mrs. Gaye Swaim, R-1, Box 113-C, Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-2134

Preschool Director.....Mrs. Frances Roselle, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2276

Church Training

Director

Music

Director.....J. Albert Spicer, R-2, Box 189-A Elkin 28621
Telephone 957-8873

Pianist.....Gary Brown, R-1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2140

Assistant Pianist.....Mrs. Nona Blevins, R-5, Box 178 N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 838-3376

Woman's Missionary Union

Director.....Mrs. Barbara Pardue, R-2, Box 112-A Elkin 28621
Telephone 957-2481

Baptist Women's Director.....Mrs. Josephine Hendrix, Hays 28635
Telephone 957-8989

Baptist Young Women's Director....Mrs. Janice Church, R-1,
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 670-3103

Acteens Director.....Mrs. Juanita Whitley, P.O. Box 147, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2667

Girls in Action Director...Mrs. Linda McCann, R-2, Box 189-B Elkin 28621
Telephone 957-8270

Mission Friends Director...Mrs. Nona Blevins, R-5, Box 178
N. Wilkesboro 28659 Telephone 838-3376

Brotherhood

Director

R.A. Director

Committees
(Named by Nom. Comm.)

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is made up of the General Officers, Heads of Organizations, all pastors and one member from each church.

Commitee On Arrangements

C.C. Blevins, Chm.....R-5, Box 178, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 838-3376

Graden Foster.....R-1, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2318

Mr. & Mrs. R.C. Pruitt.....Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-2373

Program Committee

Rev. Herman Johnson, Chm.....R-1, Box 322, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-4954

J.T. McGlammery.....Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2073

Roger Luffman.....R-1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-8310

G. Rex Barker.....R-1, Box 153, Roaring River 28669
Telephone 957-2409

Clifton Prevette.....R-1, Roaring River 28669
Telephone 957-2521

Missions Committee
(General Officers and Heads of Organizations)

Rev. C. Frank Sitton, Chm.....R-1, Box 467 N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2252

Rev. Samuel Putnam.....P.O. Box 47, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2583

Bruce Shumate.....R-6, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 667-7839

Denver Holcomb.....R-1, Thurmond 28683
Telephone 957-2591

Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner.....R-2, Wilbar 28696
Telephone 838-4673

Rev. W.J. Taylor.....R-5, Box 641-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 667-6695

Mrs. Jean Edmonds.....R-1, Box 225, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2867

V.B.S. Director

Rev. Spencer Edmonds.....R-1, Box 225 N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 670-2867

Roger Luffman.....R-1, Box 114-B, Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-8310

Church Training Director

J. Albert Spicer.....R-2 Box 189-A, Elkin 28621
Telephone 957-8873

Mrs. Barbara Pardue.....R-2, Box 112-A, Elkin 28621
Telephone 957-2481

Brotherhood Director

Historical Committee

Mrs. Margie Blevins, Chm.....Sparta Rd. N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 667-2043

Paul Gregory.....Hays 28635
Telephone 696-2302

Mrs. Hardin Royall.....Box 73, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-4075

Samuel Sebastian.....R-2, N. Wilkesboro 28659
Telephone 696-2195

Representatives

Baptist Foundation.....Rev. Ebert Billings, R-1, Roaring River 28669
Telephone 957-8740

Children's Homes....Rev. E.R. Wiles, R-1, Box 215, Thurmond 28683
Telephone 957-2465

Christian Action League.....Rev. Amos Combs, R-1, Millers Creek 28651
Telephone 838-8045

Christian Higher Education.....Hardin J. Royall, Box 73, Hays 28635
Telephone 696-4075

Christian Literature.....Lonnie G. Billings, R-1, Traphill 28685
Telephone 957-2247

Homes For Aging.....Odell Whittington, R-1, Box 40, Wilbar 28696
Telephone 838-8316

Hospital.....Rev. Burr Holcomb, 232 Mineral Springs Rd. Jonesville 28642
Telephone 835-5486, Elkin

Missions (State, Home & Foreign)....Rev. M.L. Blevins, Box 27
Hays 28635, Telephone 696-2359

Pastor-Church Relationship.....Rev. Clarence Brown, R-1,
N. Wilkesboro 28659, Telephone 670-2140

Committees
(Appointed by Moderator)

Nominating Committee

Rev. Glenn Huffman
Mr. Clifton Prevette
Rev. Major Caudill

Time, Place And Preacher Committee

Rev. Herman Johnson
Mr. Wake Tinsley
Mr. C.M. Royall

Resolutions Committee

Rev. Amos Lyons
Mr. Trelia Kilby
Mr. L.G. Billings

LIST OF MESSENGERS

BAPTIST HOME: Mrs. C. Frank Sitton, Mr. Fritz Grasmehr, Mr. Wade Barlow, Mrs. Clara Caudill.

BENHAM: Larry Gentry, Cletus Settle, Ernest Byrd, Rex Barker, Mrs. Claytus Cothren, Mrs. Ronald Burcham.

CENTER: Mr. Jimmy Minton, O.C. Barnes, Jr., Claude Huie, George Elledge, Mrs. Barbara Barnes.

DEHART: Estel Rhoades, L.O. Handy, Vester Porter, Opal Shumate, Mae Rhoades, Fay Brown.

ELK SPUR: Charlie Richardson, Sr., Quincy Royall, Vance Royall.

FAIRPLAINS: Mrs. Otis Brown, Mrs. Lynn Wiles, Mrs. Bessie Dancy, Mr. C.C. Gambill, Rev. and Mrs. W.J. Taylor.

HAYMEADOW: Rev. Mac Warren, Ed Roberson, Clifford Jones.

KNOBBS: Mr. and Mrs. Commie Lyon, Mr. Albert Spicer, Mr. Roger Tilley, Mr. Dewitt Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harris.

MAPLE GROVE: Mrs. Dixie Wentzel, Mrs. Nona Blevins, Mr. Richard Hallas.

MOUNT PISGAH: Mr. and Mrs. L.G. Billings, Rex Harrold, Mrs. Linda Harrold, C.A. Absher, Benny Wiles.

MOUNT ZION: Bruce Shumate, Spencer Wyatt, Von Myers.

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Graden Foster, Joe Faw, Trelia Kilby, Zora Foster, Mae Faw, Wayne Reavis.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Lester Johnson, Vernon Woodruff, Mrs. Bruce Dearman, Mrs. Lester Johnson, Mrs. Samuel Putman, Eldon Woodruff.

NEW LIGHT: Gladys Prevette, Fred Dowell, Homer Shepherd, Lenora Blackburn, Vaughn Blackburn, Irene Blackburn.

PINE VIEW: Mrs. Stella Burke, Mrs. Jackie Brown, Mrs. Della Absher, Mrs. Willa Grey Rhoades, Mrs. John Owens, Mr. O.O. Absher.

ROARING GAP: Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Nicholson, Mr. Mackie Royall.

ROCK SPRINGS: Mr. Comey Taylor, Mr. Cram Dancy, Mr. Barney Shumate, Maxie Wagoner, Dessie Taylor, Jettie Shumate.

STONY RIDGE: Jerry Brooks, Olin Gentry, David Pruitt.

TRAPHILL: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Reavis, Joe Bauguess, Mrs. Fred Brown.

UNION: Mr. and Mrs. Odell Whittington, Mr. John Whittington, Mrs. Bernie Miller, Rev. Julius Blevins, Mr. Frank Huffman, Jr., Jesse Staley.

WALNUT GROVE: Mr. R.J. Johnson, Mrs. Everett Hanks, Mrs. Ervin Pruitt, Mrs. Bill Blevins.

WELCOME HOME: Charles Spicer, Ola Spicer, Judy Hall, Larry Sparks, Burr Holcomb.

BUDGET FOR 1975-76

Director of Missions Salary	$5,720.00
Director of Missions Travel Expenses	1,000.00
Associational Office Expenses	300.00
Annuity Board	400.00
Convention Expenses	125.00
Printing of Annuals	400.00
Christmas Gift to Director of Missions	50.00
DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES:	
Sunday School	75.00
Church Training	50.00
W.M.U.	50.00
Brotherhood	15.00
Music	15.00
Ministers' Conference	25.00
Clerk's Expenses	150.00
Treasurer's Supplies	40.00
Evangelism	100.00
Library	25.00
Miscellaneous	25.00
TOTAL	$8,565.00
Expected from churches	7,565.00
Expected from State Convention	1,000.00
NET TOTAL	$8,565.00

Respectfully submitted,
The Budget Committee

THE CONSTITUTION FOR STONE MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article I—NAME

This association shall be known as The Stone Mountain Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of the officers of the Association, Pastors of the churches affiliated therewith, ordained ministers, and Messengers from the churches that have been received into the fellowship of the Association, and that continue Baptist in faith and practice, and that cooperate with the association, and support the agencies of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Amendment—Each church with a resident membership of two hundred or less shall be entitled to three elected messengers, and those having more than two hundred resident members shall have an elected messenger for each hundred or major fraction thereof beyond the first two hundred resident members, but not exceed a total of ten elected messngers.

Section 1-a We will not receive any church into our fellowship that practices or consents to practice baptism by any method(s) other than immersion or who receives or agrees to receive anyone into their

fellowship by letter or any other method(s), who have been baptized by any method(s) other than immersion.

If any church within our Association should violate this constitution by practicing or agreeing to practice baptism by any method other than immersion, or receive or agree to receive members by letter or any other means, who have been baptized by method(s) other than immersion, shall be considered in violation of our constitution and upon such knowledge of this fact said church will be notified by our Executive Committee of their violation and placed on one year probation and instructed to correct such violation within this year and report said action to the Association. Failure to take any of said action would result in their dismissal from the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in our first annual meeting following this one year probation period.

Section 2. All visiting Brethren shall be seated and given the privilege of discussion, but will not be allowed to vote.

Section 3. Newly constituted churches shall become members of this association upon their adoption of this Constitution and two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 4. The Association may at any time dissolve connection with any church that becomes herterdox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter for two consecutive sessions without sufficient reason, or that ceases to be missionary in practice. The support of the causes fostered by the denomination at large and of this Association in particular shall be the test of each Church as a missionary body.

Article III—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to devise and promote measures for increasing the harmony and spiritual power of the Churches within our bounds, and to promote and develop their eneggies in advancing God's Kingdom throughout the earth in compliance with the teachings of the New Testament and in cooperation with the State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Article IV—ANNUAL CHURCH LETTERS AND MEETINGS

Section 1. The Churches shall report annually not only the statistical information for any facts concerning their general welfare. The clerk shall furnish each church with printed forms for their annual report at least six weeks before the annual meeting of the Association, and the Churches are requested to have these reports returned to the clerk at least two weeks before the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place or places as may be agreed upon.

Section 3. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article V—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Officers of the body shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer. Associational Missionary, and the heads of the organizations as set forth; 1. Sunday School; 2. Training Union; 3. Woman's Missionary Union; 4. Brotherhood; 5. Music; 6. Ministers' Conference.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at Meetings of business; to keep order during each session, to decide

questions of order and to perform other duties pertaining to the office. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator shall perform these duties.

Section 3. The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and they shall be fraternal visitors to the Churches throughout the year.

Section 4. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body, furnish the churches with blank letter forms, supervise the printing of the minutes, and distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association, and shall disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purpose for which the funds were contributed. He shall render an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements to the budget committee upon request, and to the Association at its annual meeting.

Article VI—COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committees of the Association shall be:

(a) Executive; (b) Program; (3) Arrangements; (d) Nominating; (e) Time, Place, Preacher; (f) Resolutions; (g) Budget.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee and its chairman shall consist of three members, and shall be appointed by the Moderator at the beginning of the first session of the Association. This committee shall, as soon as possible, meet and assign the members of the various committees, and name the standing committees and their chairmen. Also, it shall name any other committee assigned to it.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the Association as set forth in Article V, Section 1. Also the pastor and one member of each Church. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk of the Association shall be stated officers of the committee.

Section 4. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five brethren, besides the Moderator and Clerk. It shall be the duty of this committee to make all plans for each annual meeting of the Association; to consider all letters of grievanves or queries, together with letters from corresponding associations or our State Baptist Board requiring any attention thereon, and to report same back to the Association. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise Lordship over God's heritage but shall be considered as an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

Section 5. The Program Committee shall consist of five members council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the who shall prepare the order of business for their annual meetings. Printed copies of the suggested order or business shall be distributed to those attending the opening sessions of the Association. The Chairman shall be designated by the Nominating Committee. Time shall be allotted for reports on the following subjects: Missions; Education; Orphanage; Temperance; Sunday Schools; Periodicals; Minister's Retirement; Home for the Aging; Pastoral and Church Relations; Training Union; Woman's Missionary Union; Brotherhood; Evangelism; Music; Time, Place and Preacher; and any other reports the Association deems necessary. The Program Committee will assign and contact all persons that are to give reports at the Annual Associational Meeting, not later than June 1.

Section 6. The Associational Missionary shall be nominated by the Executive Committee at any annual session of the Association or any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. His/Her election shall be by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers or members present. He/She shall serve until the relationship is terminated by mutual consent.

He/She shall have the same relationship to the organizations of the Association as a pastor has to the organizations of the church.

He/She shall lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Executive Committee.

He/She shall promote the whole program of the Association, the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

He/She shall act as an ex-officio member of the Committees of the Association as listed in Article VI, Section 1.

His/Her work shall be under the direction of the Association and Executive Committee.

He/She shall have administrative supervision of such work as may be assigned him/her by the Association.

Section 7. The officers of the Associational Sunday School, the Associational Training Union, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union, the Associational Brotherhood, and the Associational Music Department shall be elected by their respective organizations at the last meeting in the Associational year by their own methods. The list of officers will be furnished the Nominating Committee, who shall present them to the Association for approval at the time of the election of the officers of the Association. Those persons elected for officers in these organizations will serve in cooperation with the officers already serving until they are approved by the Association, at which time they shall assume full responsibility of office. All persons nominated for office in the Association will be contacted, personally, prior to the election of officers.

Section 8. The officers shall assume their duties at the close of the Associational meeting at which they are elected and shall serve until the close of the next annual session, with the exception of the Clerk. The Clerk shall assume his duties at the beginning of the session at which he is elected and shall serve until his successor is elected at the next annual session.

Section 9. The Budget Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association. The Moderator shall serve as Chairman. This committee shall meet before the annual meetings of the Association and prepare a budget to cover all anticipated needs of the Association for the next Associational year. The committee will cause the budget to be printed and distributed to the members at the annual meeting. The committee will suggest a pro rata share of the budget for each church affiliated with the association for their consideration and approval.

Article VII—MINISTERS

Each Church having ordained or licensed ministers shall report the same to the Association in order that their names may be compiled in the minutes.

Article VIII—CHANGE

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed change be read to the Association during the first day of the annual meeting — the churches having previously been notified.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and only one member shall speak at a time.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject and shall use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. No member shall speak more than twice upon one subject except by permission of the body.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association. nor whisper in time of public speech.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appelation than that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the clerk as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled, and he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any person who shall willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1st. We believe in only one true and living God; Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd We beliebe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted and regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the spirit of God shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subject of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode is by immersion.

7th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

8th. We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS

The seventy-ninth annual meeting of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association, composed of twenty-two churches in the Northeastern part of Wilkes County met Friday and Saturday, September 26th and 27th, was well attended with all the churches represented by letter and messenger.

Friday's all-day session held at Center Church, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, Route 1, and Saturday morning's session at Stony Ridge Church near Austin.

The Rev. Frank Sitton, Pastor of Baptist Home Church and moderator of the association presiding.

Call to order was observed by the congregation singing "Crown Him With Many Crowns," directed by Mr. C.C. Blevins, with Mrs. Blevins at the piano. The Pastor of the host church, Rev. Spencer Edmonds, gave the words of welcome closing with prayer.

Devotional period under the direction of Rev. Albert Pruitt, Pastor of Pine View Church, spoke briefly from the 25th Psalm emphasizing the "Associational Theme," "In God We Trust - To Share His Love." He closed with prayer.

The Roll Call of Churches was made by the associational clerk, making necessary notations.

Appointment of committees being the next order of business. The moderator named the Nominating Committee. "Time, Place and Preacher" Committee and Resolution Committee, followed by recognition of new pastors and visitors. Rev. Earl Adams being the only new pastor coming to the association this year. Among the visitors were W.A. Poole, Calvin Knight, Rexford Campbell, Edwin Coates, and Lewis Ludlum, representing, Home for the Aging, Baptist Hospital, Children's Homes, Baptist Foundation and Pilot Mountain Association, respectively.

The book of reports was presented by the Moderator. These were handed out to each member of the congregation. Mrs. Mabel C. Couch, our Director of Missions, made timely remarks concerning her work among the churches. Then each of the above spoke briefly on the work of his department.

Rev. Maurice Cooper, Speaker of the day, representing the Baptist State Convention, spoke ably on the "High Cost of Christian Living."

The congregation stood and sang "Oh How I Love Jesus." After which the annual sermon was delivered by Rev. Mace Johnson, Pastor of Mountain Valley Church, speaking from Acts 8: 26-29, "Controlled by the Holy Spirit", "Philp Preached to him Jesus." Returned thanks for the delicious meal prepared by the host church.

In the afternoon session,

Call to worship made by singing, "When We Walk With The Lord," followed by the devotional, Rev. Pruitt again ably bringing the message from 21st chapter of St. John. Called for I.V. Couch, visiting Director of Missions from the Brushy Mountain Association, to lead in prayer.

Mr. Harry Sherwood representing Wingate College spoke briefly on christian education, emphasing church support through co-op-pro.

Rev. E.R. Wiles, Pastor of Roaring Gap Church, spoke the benediction.

Saturday morning's session opened with the congregation singing, "Stand Up For Jesus," followed by welcome from the Pastor, Rev. Ebert Billings.

Rev. Albert Pruitt spoke in the devotional from Eph. and 1st Cor., "That Ye May Know That Your Labor For The Lord Is Not In Vain," closing with prayer.

Reports were made by the nominating and resolutions committees.

Under miscellaneous business, it was brought to attention that Pleasant Ridge and Pleasant View Churches had voted to join the Elkin Association and requested withdrawal from the Stone Mountain Association for geographical reasons only. On motion by Mace Johnson and 2nd by Albert Pruitt their requests were granted.

The book of reports presented in yesterday's session was adopted.

Mrs. Winfrey Luffman, former Director of Missions and Rev. James Lambert, Area Missionary, were recognized at this time.

The newly elected officers for the coming year were called to the front and each duly recognized and introduced by the Moderator.

As the retiring Clerk read the names of those deceased, we are reminded of the frailty of life and the certainty of death. Mrs. Mabel Couch read a fitting tribute to their memory.

Rev. James Weaver, Pastor of Elk Church, Brushy Mountain Association, came as guest speaker. He preached a very moving sermon on the Great Commission, after which the congregation sang the hymn, "Near The Cross." Closing with prayer.

Rev. Joseph Blackburn, Pastor of Benham Church, brought the closing message which expounded three things, Go and Preach, Sharing the Gospel, and Bring Them Into our Fellowship. Closing with prayer.

Adjournment followed the benediction ably spoken by the newly seated Moderator, Rev. Samuel Putnam.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

MODERATOR ..... Rev. Samuel Putnam
VICE MODERATOR ..... Bruce Shumate
CLERK ..... Denver Holcomb
TREASURER ..... Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner
GENERAL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE ..... Rev. C. Frank Sitton
CHAIRMAN OF EVANGELISM ..... Rev. W.J. Taylor
LIBRARIAN ..... Mrs. Jean Edmonds
CHAIRMAN OF MISSIONS COMMITTEE ..... Rev. C. Frank Sitton
V.B.S. DIRECTOR

MINISTERS CONFERENCE
(Named by Conf.)

PRESIDENT ..... Rev. Spencer Edmonds
VICE PRESIDENT ..... Rev. Earl Adams
PROGRAM CHAIRMAN ..... Rev. Albert Pruitt
SECRETARY ..... Rev. Julius Blevins

SUNDAY SCHOOL

DIRECTOR ..... Roger Luffman
(Age-Group Directors named by Org.)
ADULT DIRECTOR
YOUTH DIRECTORS ..... Mrs. Opal Shumate
Mrs. Faye Brown
CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Gaye Swaim
PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Frances Roselle

TRAINING UNION

DIRECTOR

MUSIC

DIRECTOR ..... J. Albert Spicer
PIANIST ..... Gary Brown
ASSISTANT PIANIST ..... Mrs. Nona Blevins

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Barbara Pardue
BAPTIST WOMEN'S DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Josephine Hendrix
BAPTIST YOUNG WOMEN'S DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Janice Church
ACTEENS DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Juanita Whitley
GIRLS IN ACTION DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Linda McCann
MISSIONS FRIENDS DIRECTOR ..... Mrs. Nona Blevins

BROTHERHOOD

DIRECTOR
R.A. DIRECTOR

COMMITTEES

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE is made up of the General Officers, Heads of Organizations, all Pastors, and one member from each church.

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

C.C. Blevins, Chm.
Graden Foster
Mr. & Mrs. R.C. Pruitt

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. Herman Johnson, Chm.
J.T. McGlammery
G. Rex Barker
Roger Luffman
Clifton Prevette

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. C. Frank Sitton, Chm.
Bruce Shumate
Denver Holcomb
Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner
Rev. W.J. Taylor
Mrs. Jean Edmonds
V.B.S. Director
Rev. Samuel Putnam
Rev. Spencer Edmonds
Roger Luffman
Church Training Director
J. Albert Spicer
Mrs. Barbara Pardue
Brotherhood Director

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Margie Blevins, Chm.
Mrs. Hardin Royall
Paul Gregory
Samuel Sebastian

REPRESENTATIVES

BAPTIST FOUNDATION ..... Rev. Ebert Billings
CHILDREN'S HOMES ..... Rev. E.R. Wiles
CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE ..... Rev. Amos Combs
CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION ..... Hardin J. Royall
CHRISTIAN LITERATURE ..... Lonnie G. Billings
HOMES FOR AGING ..... Odell Whittington
HOSPITAL ..... Rev. Burr Holcomb
MISSIONS (State, Home & Foreign) ..... Rev. M.L. Blevins
PASTOR-CHURCH RELATIONSHIP ..... Rev. Clarence Brown

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Joseph Blackburn
Rev. Herman Johnson
Carroll Dancy

MODERATOR'S REPORT

It has been a most rewarding experience for me to have had the privilege of serving as your Moderator these two years. Thank you for your confidence and your cooperation.

Progress has been made in all of our churches again this year. The records are showing increases in efforts made to make Christ known to the people in our local church fields, across the state, our nation and unto the ends of the earth. I am proud of what we have done under God, as an association and for what we intend to do in days that may be ahead.

May God's guidance and blessings continue with us!

Respectfully submitted,
C. Frank Sitton

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The General Board is composed of at least one member from each of the eighty Associations in our State Convention. The board meets three times a year to carry on the work of our convention between the annual sessions. Rev. Billy Mobley is president of this body of men and women at the present time.

We met in Raleigh, N.C. in January and again in June. The third meeting will be at Camp Caraway, Asheboro, N.C. in October. I have attended the meetings in Raleigh and will also be present in October, the Lord willing.

Tremendous decisions have to be made by these board members from time to time about the ministries of our great denomination, as we endeavor to go into all the world for Christ.

Be sure to remember us in your prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Frank Sitton,
(Representative of Stone Mountain Association)

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

Your Missionary's first year with Stone Mountain Association has been filled with learning experiences, getting acquainted with the pastors and other church leaders, opportunities of service, committee meetings, individual conferences, distributing information, and working and worshiping together.

Visits in the churches	138
Associational and Committee Meetings	26
Newsletters	12
Equipment acquired (See Financial Report)	$1,500.00+
Visits in homes of pastors and families	12
Miles traveled	8,000

VBS held in four churches

(Ministers and Ministers' Wives met quarterly. On May 29 they met together at the Bonanza and enjoyed a steak dinner, a time of fellowship and concluded with a time of inspiration.)

The fine spirit of cooperation on the part of pastors, church leaders and associational leaders - and all church members is appreciated more than words can express.

A strange combination of recession and inflation brings to our churches and association one of the greatest challenges yet. May God help us to rededicate ourselves to accomplishing His will in unwavering faith, in loyal service, in reaching the lost for Christ, in strengthening Christians, in sharing His love faithfully and in making our mission support far-reaching.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mabel C. Couch

CLERK'S REPORT

All churches reported by letter and were represented by messengers at the Annual Associational Meeting.

Data for the annual was prepared and delivered to the printer. These were delivered within thirty days, which enabled us to place them in the churches

before Thanksgiving. Copies were mailed to all departments, institutions and individuals on our mailing list early in December.

I met with the Executive, Budget and Missions Committees during the year. At the Executive Committee Meeting, our Director of Missions was authorized to purchase office equipment from the special Supplies and Equipment Fund. A Pastor-Deacon School was approved for March, 1976 which is to be led by Rev. Howard Ford.

The Executive Committee approved the dedication of the annual and gave the Missions Committee the authority to decide when and to whom the annual would be dedicated in the future.

The Sunday School Director, Roger Luffman, was authorized to spend around $15.00 for S.S. materials (from the Supplies and Equipment Fund) from this year's budget and the same amount from next year's budget. These materials are for S.S. Workers to prepare to lead a S.S. Age-Group Conference.

I wish to thank each and everyone for the many considerations shown me as clerk of our association. It has been very rewarding in serving God's people.

Respectfully submitted,
S.B. Absher, Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT 1974-75

BEGINNING BALANCE		$1,131.23
RECEIPTS:		
Regular Fund:		
Total received from churches	$4,806.60	
Total received from State Convention	1,043.00	
Total received from Minute Fund	546.00	
Sales Tax Refund	55.02	
TOTAL OF REGULAR FUND		6,450.62
Supplies and Equipment Fund		
Total received from churches	560.32	
Total received from State Convention	800.00	
Total received from individuals	591.00	
TOTAL OF SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FUND	1,851.32	
TOTAL OF SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FUND		1,851.32
GRAND TOTAL		$9,433.17
DISBURSEMENTS 1974-75		
Regular Fund		
Missionary's Salary	$5,199.06	
Missionary's Expenses	1,055.00	
Annuity Board (retirement)	333.40	
(two months prepaid from last year not deducted from checkbook balance)	(66.80)	
Convention Expense	125.00	
Cost of Minutes	489.06	
Treasurer's Expense	40.00	
Clerk's Expense	100.00	
Missionary's Christmas present	50.00	
Miscellaneous	24.72	
Department expenses		
Sunday School	12.60	

Church Training	-0-	
Evangelism	-0-	
Vacation Bible School	35.50	
WMU	41.00	
Music	-0-	
Brotherhood	-0-	
Minister's Conference	-0-	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS REGULAR FUND		7,506.24
Supplies and Equipment Fund		
Equipment		
Folding Machine	379.67	
Adding Machine	100.00	
Mimeograph Machine	695.25	
Typewriter	311.48	
Total Equipment	$1,486.40	
Supplies	222.62	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FUND		1,709.02
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$9,215.26
BALANCE IN TREASURY		$ 217.91
Regular Fund	$ 75.61	
Supplies/Equipment	142.30	
	$ 217.91	

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

As your Sunday School Director this year, I reached my goal of going to each church twice. In the 1,528 miles I drove this year, I have seen much growth in many of our churches. I feel that this has been a good year for S.S. in our association, although this does not mean that there is no room for improvement.

For next year, I am now in the process of enlisting four workers to help me hold clinics for the teachers in the Adult, Youth, Children, and Preschool areas of Sunday School. I hope these clinics will help our teachers to better understand their role in S.S. work and to give them new ways of teaching.

Being your director, gave my wife and me the opportunity to go to Ridgecrest for a Directors' Conference which was a spiritual blessing to both of us. High Attendance Day was observed in November. Stone Mountain's attendance was 2,497 which was 646 more than the average attendance the year before. Also, I attended a Reach-Out Clinic at Benham Church which was a great help to me.

From the training I received, an Adult Clinic was led by your director. Reports caused us to believe that the clinic was a blessing to all who attended. I have greatly enjoyed being your director this year and would like to thank each of the churches in the association for the warm welcome extended to me and my family. I would also like to thank Mrs. Mabel Couch for all the help she kindly gave me.

In closing, let me say, "Let us all labor together in God's vineyard so that next year will be a great year in our association for the glory of God."

Respectfully submitted,
Roger D. Luffman

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

VBS WORKERS WERE: *Mrs. Linda McCann ..... Preschoolers
Miss Virginia Kilby &
Miss Eva McGuire ..... Children I
(Astericks represent those attending State Clinic at Wingate.)
Mrs. Barbara Pardue ..... Children II
*Mrs. Marian Sitton ..... Children III
Rev. & Mrs. Spencer Edmonds ..... Youth
*Rev. Mac Warren ..... Adults
*Mrs. Mabel C. Couch ..... Dir.
(Continued-)

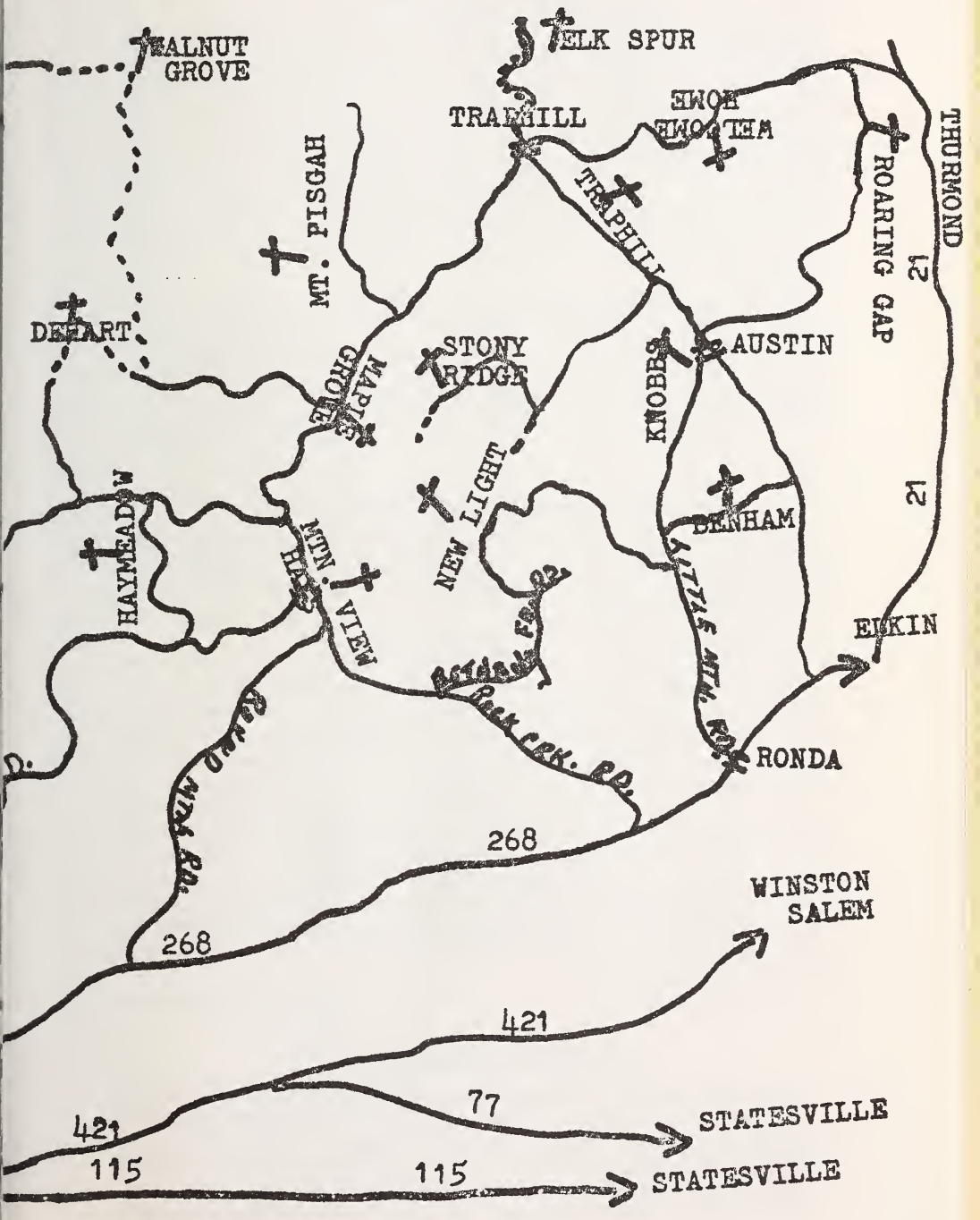
In January four VBS workers attended the State Clinic at Wingate. In April the VBS Staff conducted a "Show and Share" Session at Mountain View Church. On May 18, the VBS Clinic for the association was at the Haymeadow Church with 12 churches represented and 67 persons present.

The credit for the success of our Bible Schools goes to pastors, VBS Directors and others who worked diligently to provide workers, materials and support for the good schools. Many thanks to everyone!

CHURCH	ENR.	AVG. ATT.	PROF.	COOP. PRO.
Baptist Home	124	117	5	$55.19
Benham	87	74		35.69
Center	93	70		56.87
Dehart	102	95		55.54
Elk Spur				
Fairplains				
Haymeadow	181	151	12	
Knobbs	101	87		25.00
Maple Grove	86	73		50.00
Mount Pisgah	60	54		
Mount Zion	50	48		
Mountain Valley	58	45		23.53
Mountain View	77	72		24.85
New Light	49	46		12.68
Pine View	47	41		48.45
Roaring Gap	110	96		25.44
Rock Springs				
Stony Ridge	56	49		52.00
Traphill	36	30		30.00
Union	54	47		16.00
Walnut Grove	55	43		
Welcome Home	79	60		
TOTALS	1,505	1,288	17	$511.14

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mabel C. Couch

ROCK SPRINGS
McGrady
18
JEFFERSON
16
UNION
WILKESBAR
PINE VIEW
MT ZION
18
CENTER
MTN VALLEY
BAP. HOME
18
FAIRPLAINS
NORTH WILKESBOR
WILKESBORO
BOONE
421
16
421
OLD 421
STONE MOUNTAIN
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION


WALNUT GROVE
ELK SPUR
TRAPHILL
HOME
MT. PISGAH
TRAPHILL
ROARING GAP
THURMOND
21
DEHART
STONY RIDGE
AUSTIN
KNOBBS
MAPLE GROVE
NEW LIGHT
BENHAM
21
HAYMEADOW
MTN. VIEW
LITTLE MTN. RD.
EIKIN
RONDA
268
WINSTON SALEM
268
421
77
STATESVILLE
421
115
115
STATESVILLE

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

The theme for "M" Night November 25, 1974 at Center Church was "Share His Love Now." There was a different approach taken in the program this year. Special music was provided by the Center Youth Choir and the Benham Church Choir. A skit, "Train to Share His Love Now" was written by our Dir. of Missions, Mrs. Couch, and presented by directors of the organizations and other people of the churches. The skit showed what training can do for the local church and what the church can accomplish through training. Mrs. Frank Sitton presented Kathy Shumate, recently crowned queen in Baptist Home Acteen Studiact Recognition Service, who shared the requirements of this recognition and quoted the Scripture she had memorized.

The 125 in attendance appreciated the program.

All churches need training - whether on-going or short-term. In the coming year, emphasis will be given to short-term training, according to the needs of the local church. An associational program will be presented for inspiration and information on training. Details will be announced later.

It has been a joy to serve Stone Mountain as Church Training Director.

Respectfully submitted,
Floyd Coffey

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

The Associational WMU of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association held a planning and sharing session at Mountain View Church. Directors of the church WMU organizations and interested members were invited. Those who attended felt that the session was very worthwhile and suggested that the association have more of these sharing sessions.

The annual associational meeting was held at Benham Church. Rev. and Mrs. R.L. Stocks, missionaries from Zambia, were guest speakers. The special music was presented by the Children's Chorus of Benham. Acteens from Mountain View presented a play, "Love Thy Neighbor." New officers were presented and given an inspiring challenge by Mrs. Mabel C. Couch. The attendance was good and churches were well represented.

At a second planning meeting at Sunny Italy, the new officers and those presently serving made general plans for the coming year. New WMU officers attended the Associational Leadership Conference at Fruitland and came back with much enthusiasm and many new ideas.

I have enjoyed being your WMU Director for the past two years. I wish to thank all of you for your cooperation and support. Mrs. Barbara Pardue is your new director. I ask your support and prayers for her as she leads in associational WMU work.

Respectfully submitted,
Gaye Swaim

EVANGELISM REPORT

All churches will receive Proclamation '76 Calendar booklets for 1975-76 and other revival materials. Each association is encouraged to plan a Simultaneous Revival among the churches during the spring (March or April) of 1976. If you do not have a Simultaneous Revival, every church is urged to plan a dynamic revival effort in the spring of 1976.

The continuing response of youth and adults to Lay Evangelism Schools

has been significant. In the past 3½ years, 12,774 youth and adults have shared in this lay witness training from 1,007 churches and 55 associations. Also, 107 pastors from nine other associations have participated in Pastor's Retreats dealing with Lay Evangelism Schools. Five other associations have planned Lay Evangelism Schools during the fall of 1976.

"BE RECONCILED TO GOD AND MAN" was the theme of the 29th statewide Evangelism Conference at War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro, February 3-5, 1975. Over 2,400 pastors and lay persons heard excell-speakers emphasize various phases of evangelism.

Youth Ministries Week was held at North Carolina Baptist Assembly during the week of June 9-13 for 520 youth and adults with emphasis on evangelism, vocational guidance, and recreation.

About 14,000 youth, pastors, and adult leaders attended the 5th Statewide Youth Evangelism Night - August 15 - at the Greensboro Coliseum. Dr. Bill Self, Atlanta, Georgia, was the guest preacher, and Bill and Linda Cates were the guest musicians. Christian youth continue to share a strong witness for Jesus Christ across our state.

The Division of Evangelism is cooperating with the Brotherhood Department in Lay Renewal Weekends and Renewal Evangelism.

Let us rejoice in the leadership of the Holy Spirit in wonderful revival meetings, city-wide crusades, and evangelism clinics during the past year.

The 30th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held at the Civic Center Auditorium, Asheville, during February 2-4, 1976.

Remember to pray daily for the work of evangelism in all churches over our state, nation and the world.

Respectfully submitted,
W.J. Taylor

LIBRARY REPORT

The gradual growth of libraries in churches of the Stone Mountain Association (Baptist Home, Center, Knobbs, Fairplains, Traphill and perhaps others is encouraging. Hopefully many more churches will start libraries in the coming year. Friends and relatives of departed loved ones will find that memorial gift books will add to the number of books and other materials to the library and will also be far more meaningful and permanent than flowers. A list of appropriate books, as well as other help is available from the office of Director of Missions of our Association.

May we use books, as well as other materials (filmstrips, films, slides, records and tapes) for information and inspiration as we "grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" and His world with its missionary needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Robert C. Pruitt

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

Chartered in 1919 by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. has sought to assist individuals throughout the state in their estate planning, providing ways to support Baptist institutions and mission work on a permanent basis. Property and funds placed with the Baptist Foundation are invested by a convention elected board of directors with the income paid annually to the institution or

mission cause designated by the donor.

Individual assistance is provided Baptists throughout the state in the establishment of trusts that not only benefit the donor but also support the Christian ministries of our denomination in a lasting, perpetual way.

During the past two years, $330,070.41 has been given to the N.C. Baptist Foundation, Inc., in the way of annunity trusts. In this type trust, the donors reserve the right to the income from the investments for their lifetime and then the income will be paid to the Baptist cause specified in the original trust agreement. The laws of our land provide to the donor certain tax advantages for the gift portion of these transactions.

Wills still account for a major portion of the funds held in trust by the Foundation. One such gift to benefit mission work from this year forward, came in the form of a farm and other assets given by the deceased. It was determined by the tax records found in this estate, that this person will give annually three times as much for missions through the income from this trust fund, as she was ever able to earn in total wages during any year of her lifetime. So what she could not do for our Lord's work here on earth in her lifetime, she does after her life here among us has ended.

New gifts to be held in trust by the N.C. Baptist amounted to $635,079.57 during 1974-75 fiscal year. Added to the market value of assets held from previous years brings the total value to $2,331,559.67 as of June 30, 1975. Income from all assets held by the Foundation which have been or will be distributed to designated beneficiaries in the near future amounted to $76,257.82 for the past 12 months.

Respectfully submitted,
C.M. Royall

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board serves as a lifeline of support for 10,034 retired pastors and other church-related workers and their widows.

In 1974, $15-½ million in retirement and other benefits were paid to annuitants.

The Annuity also holds in trust and invests retirement contributions from 38,000 pastors and other church related staff which will be converted into annuity benefits when they retire. These funds are to be divided by the number of future annuitants it will serve for the remainder of their lifetimes after retirement.

In December, 1974, the Board issued a 13th Check to annuitants. It is called a 13th Check because it is issued above the 12 regular monthly benefit checks.

In North Carolina, 2,134 churches and associations and 2616 staff members are currently participating in the Southern Baptist Protection Plan.

Is your pastor included in the plan? Why not show your concern and interest in him and his family - for retirement - or for his widow - should she be left to care for her family alone?

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel Putnam

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

The Cooperative Program may well be called the trademark of Southern Baptists, who are frequently called a people on mission for God. This mission can be carried out best by cooperation - doing together the ministries which cannot be performed individually.

During 1975 the 50th Anniversary of the Cooperative Program was observed. The Cooperative Program funds are used to send 6,000 Home, and Foreign missionaries to share Christ around the world; to minister to the sick, homeless, and the aging; and to meet human needs wherever they exist. In fact the Cooperative Program is MISSIONS - preaching the Gospel, teaching the Bible, and ministering to human needs as far as funds will allow.

How much has your church helped with these ministries? The voluntary cooperation of Baptists through the Cooperative Program is the only source of finances for these ministries.

Last year, churches in the Stone Mountain Association gave almost $5,295.00 - through June 30th. Our increase over the year before was less than $300.00.

Will your church?

1. Increase its Cooperative Program gifts - or begin to give - if your church has not done so in the past?
2. Increase (or begin) giving through associational missions?
3. Pray regularly for your Associational, Home and Foreign Missionaries?
4. Send check regularly for association to:
   Mrs. Virgil Bumgarner, R-2, Wilbar, N.C. 28696
   Send Cooperative Program check to:
   Baptist State Convention, P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N.C. 27611
5. Give a tithe of your income to your church?
6. Encourage your church to tithe its income to missions?
7. Inform your church members of God's plan for stewardship as taught in the Bible?

The Southern Baptist Convention goal for 1976 is $150,000,000. It has been recommended that North Carolina adopt a goal of at least $12,945,000 - about one third of which will be used in SBC causes, most of which goes to Foreign and Home Missions and higher education.

"God so loved that He gave His only begotten Son," but how can people come to know Him, if we fail to share His message?

Respectfully submitted,
C.C. Blevins

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

There have been many significant developments, in several different areas, at your Baptist Hospital during the past year.

The new ambulatory care unit is open, making possible enlarged and improved services for the Emergency Room, Out-patient Clinics, Physical Therapy and other departments. Renovation of the West Wing is complete and renovation of the South Wing began in August. The third floor of the Progressive Care Unit has been remodeled to provide 26 beds, therapy room

and other improved facilities for Psychiatric services.

The long-awaited EMI-scanner is now in use and is already proving beneficial in detecting blood clots, tumors, strokes and other abnormalities of the brain.

A Family Practice Center opened in July, 1975 to offer more primary medical care for patients and also to provide specialized training for physicians who choose to enter Family Practice.

During the year the hospital had its biennial review by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. All areas of operation received an excellent report, but physician service, nursing service, and administration all received especially high commendation.

Despite the continued rise in costs for service and materials the hospital has been able to operate in the black. The administration and department heads confer frequently and make diligent effort to see that the hospital operates as efficiently and economically as possible.

Gifts from the Baptist Churches have been very gratifying. During the calendar year of 1974 the hospital received $258,898 through the Cooperative Program and $392,000 through the Mother's Day Offering. Hospital staff members have participated in Cooperative Program promotion in cooperation with the State Convention Division of Stewardship and Cooperative Program Promotion.

The Department of Pastoral Care has opened a counseling center in Raleigh, its second satellite center. Plans are developing for a third satellite in the western part of the state. The department has established a scholarship fund as a memorial to Dr. Richard K. Young, the department's first director, who died December 31. Full reaccreditation was given the School of Pastoral Care in December by the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education.

During the past year Mr. Reid T. Holmes retired as President of the hospital, after serving in the hospital administration for 29 years.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Burr Holcomb

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

Christian child care provided by the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina is a cooperative mission. For 90 years, North Carolina Baptists have united to provide this child care ministry which today is recognized as one of the outstanding ministries of its kind in the nation. A cooperative mission such as this requires that the parties involved have a clear, common purpose to which they are firmly Committed. We as North Carolina Baptists are committed to support the Children's Homes through the Cooperative Program and the Thanksgiving Offering. In response, the staff of the Children's Homes is committed to translate this support into a ministry of love and concern for children and families in need.

To summarize past accomplishments and future plans of the Baptist Children's Homes, we submit the following. Emergency shelters were opened in Charlotte and Forest City to meet the needs of children requiring immediate assistance. Also, an increasing number of families opened hearts and homes for the care of foster children. Both Broyhill and Mills Home will have a new cottage for children constructed during next year. Progress is

also being made to expand facilities at Odum Home.

During the past year, we as churches of the Stone Mountain Association contributed $1,765.69 to the support of the Children's Homes. Of this I feel we can be justly proud. But as we face the coming year, let us not only be proud of our past accomplishments, but strive to surpass these goals in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Julius Blevins

HOMES FOR AGING REPORT

In April I visited the Hayes Home for the Aging in Winston-Salem. Mr. Poole made a very inspiring talk on what the home is doing for the aging. He said that 21,000,000 (65 and above) exists and will grow by over 300,000 a year in the years ahead. The needs of the aging people are overwhelming, and we must strive diligently to meet those needs.

Although we can minister in our North Carolina Baptist Homes to only 230 persons at any given time, we have served hundreds of aging people through the twenty four years that we have been on the scene at Resthaven, The Hays Home, the Nursing Care unit in Winston-Salem, in our homes at Albemarle, Hamilton and Yanceyville.

The gifts for 1974-75 from our Baptist Churches, through the Cooperative Program, and through the 3rd Sunday of February Offering for the homes reflect a very encouraging increase.

The Stone Mountain Association gave $1,271.00 in 1974. We are grateful, especially since four out of every five persons who live in our Homes, depend upon these love gifts for their care.

Respectfully submitted,
Odell Whittington

HISTORY OF CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

Center Baptist Church was organized in 1886. The charter members were S.S. Jennings, Susanah Jennings, James R. Jennings, Tenneyse Jennings, Jacob C. Elledge, N.S. Elledge, Henry Jennings, Rhoda Jennings and S.E. Adams. Mr. G.W. Adams was ordained by the church in May 1886 and became the first pastor.

The first church building was a very small one, being built by the members on a tract of land given by S.S. Jennings. This building was torn down on January 9, 1922 and replaced with a building of frame construction, being completed on February 23, 1922. This building was moved to a new foundation in October 1955 and Sunday School rooms were built in the basement along with brick veneer for the outside. The church was completely renovated with two additional wings being added on to the building in 1969. Several new Sunday School rooms, as well as kitchen and fellowship hall were contained in this new addition. A baptistry was installed in the church. Rev. Marvin A. Honeycutt was the first full-time pastor. A pastorium was built in 1962.

The entire parking lot, as well as the drive from highway 18, has been paved in the past two years. A completion project is now underway to finish the fellowship hall and Sunday School rooms in the basement.

Center Church joined the Primitive Baptist Association in October, 1898. In September, 1954, Center withdrew from this association and in February,

1958, joined the Stone Mountain Baptist Association. A total of $45.00 was given to missions in 1959. Today, our church gives 7% of its regular offerings through the Cooperative Program, in addition to special offerings for other missions.

HISTORY OF STONY RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Stony Ridge Baptist Church was organized December 30, 1905. The Stony Ridge School House was used as the meeting place. There were 29 charter members of the church. Rev. Grant Cothren was the first pastor.

Mr. Ford Cothren was deacon and also choir director from 1911 until his death in October 1973. He was also one of the charter members.

The first Saturday of October 1920, Rev. L.E. Sparks was elected pastor and served until August 20, 1966.

In 1926 there was a new church built about two miles east of the school building.

There are presently 144 members and the pastor is Rev. Sankie Ebert Billings.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER COMMITTEE REPORT

The next session (80th) of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in 1975 will be held as follows:

Time will be Friday, September 24 and Saturday, September 25, 1976.

The place for Friday, the 24th, will be at Mountain Valley Baptist Church with Rev. Spencer Edmonds as speaker and Rev. Earl Adams as alternate.

The place for Saturday, the 25th, will be at Traphill Baptist Church with Rev. Major Caudill as speaker and Rev. Burr Holcomb as alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
C.C. Blevins
Rev. Glenn Huffman
Odell Whittington

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved therefore, that we render special thanks to the following:

1. That we express our gratitude to our God for His bountiful mercy and patience with us; for the presence and leadership of the Holy Spirit during these sessions.

2. That we say, "Thank you," to the Program Committee for the planning of a fine program; also to each person who appeared on program; both our local people and those from other areas of our work. Especially to Rev. Albert Pruitt for fine devotions and Rev. Mace Johnson and Rev. Joe Blackburn for inspirational messages.

3. That we express our appreciation for the untiring efforts of our Director of Missions, Mrs. Mabel Couch; and for the fine work of our retiring Associational Clerk, Mr. Spencer Absher and Associational Moderator, Rev. Frank Sitton. A special prayer for Rev. Samuel Putnam, incoming Moderator and Mr. Denver Holcomb incoming Clerk.

4. That we extend our sincere thanks to the host churches, Center Baptist

Church and Stony Ridge Baptist Church; and to the people of these churches, who were most gracious in every way. The meals were wonderful and our fellowship has been great.

WHEREAS: The seventy-ninth annual session of the Stone Mountain Baptist Association is drawing to a close with our hearts and lives challenged.

5. That we return to our fields of labor with renewed dedication to labor faithfully for Christ through the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee on
Resolutions
Rev. Amos Lyon, Chm.
Mr. Trelia Kilby
Mr. Lonnie Billings

IN MEMORIAM

The Memorial Service for deceased Christians is for remembering them **lovingly and appreciatively - lovingly**, as a part of a family, as a part of a church family and as a part of the family of God. And this has made them our brothers and sisters in Christ; **appreciatively**, for a faith that demonstrated itself in both life and death. The friendship and fellowship of these will be remembered and cherished in this world and renewed in the world to come.

Martineau prayed,

> "--Life is eternal; - love is immortal; - death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight.
>
> Lift us up, therefore, strong Son of God, that we may see further; cleanse our eyes that we may see more clearly; draw us closer to Thyself-----. And while Thou doest prepare a **place** for us, prepare **us** for that happy place, that where they are, and where Thou art, we may be too."

Paul advised,

> Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain."
>
> I Cor. 15:58

May we stand to honor these whose names have been read and bow our heads in gratitude for their lives and their contributions to the work of the Lord. Amen.

Our Beloved Dead

BENHAM: Mr. James Royd Luffman, Mrs. Maggie H. Tharpe, Mrs. Cora Windsor, Mrs. Ada Settle Huffman

CENTER: Mrs. Bertha Roope, Mr. Hobert M. Lockhart, Mrs. Royster E. Lockhart

FAIRPLAINS: Mr. Floyd Perry

HAYMEADOW: Mrs. Dan (Flora) Combs

KNOBBS: Mrs. Linda T. Brickhouse

MAPLE GROVE: Mr. Buel Whitley, Mr. I.C. Cleary, Mrs. Ruth B. Cleary

MOUNT PISGAH: Mrs. Minnie McMenamin

MOUNTAIN VALLEY: Mr. Bill Vernon Reavis

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Mrs. S.L. Blevins

NEW LIGHT: Mr. Barney Cheek

ROARING GAP: Deacon Lester Royall, Mr. Walter Mallory

TRAPHILL: Mrs. Sallie H. Brinegar

UNION: Mrs. Dora Belle C. Norman, Mrs. Lizzie Huffman, Mrs. Clara C. Calloway (Teacher)

WALNUT GROVE: Mr. Ivan Gambill

WELCOME HOME: Mrs. Lura Nelson

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

John Armes, Minter Blevins, Charlie Brown, C.W. Bryant, Albert Byrd, G.B. Crabb, Charles Dimmette, Lindolph Ford, J. Glenn Huffman, Lester Johnson, Fred Joines, J.E. Key, James T. Lawrimore, John McCann, Tommy Prevette, Allen Staley, John L. West, Billy Wiles, Jackson Bell, Roger Townsend, Amos Lyon.

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Mac Warren

MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR

Bruce Martin, Joe Rhodes, Ernest Key

MINISTERS LICENSED BUT NOT ORDAINED

Paul E. Burgess, Joe Rhoades, Ernest Key, Ronnie Cheek, Larry Carter, Homer Shepherd.

NEW PASTORS

TRAPHILL — Rev. Earl Adams

INTERIM PASTORS

KNOBBS — Rev. J. Glenn Huffman, WALNUT GROVE — Rev. M.L. Blevins

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES
STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
1976
(To be updated in monthly newsletter)

JANUARY
Make Your Will Month

1 — NEW YEAR'S DAY
4-9 — January Bible Study Week (Hosea)
11 — Soul-Winning Commitment Day
16-17 — Home Mission Teacher Training, Caraway
20-21 — Sunday School Planning Workshop, Raleigh
23-24 — Laymen's Witnessing Institute, Gardner-Webb College
23-25 — High School Senior's Retreat, Caraway
25 — BAPTIST MEN'S DAY

FEBRUARY
Homes For Aging

1 — Baptist World Alliance Sunday
2-4 — Statewide Evangelism Conference, Asheville
8-14 — WMU Focus Week
20-21 — BYW, Pastors/Wives Conference, Mundo Vista
22 — HOMES FOR AGING DAY AND OFFERING
26-27 — Regional Choir Festivals

MARCH
Home Missions Month

5-6 — Day Camp Workshop, Mundo Vista
7-13 — Week of Prayer for Home Missions
14 — Home Missions Day in Sunday School
14-21 — Youth Week
16-17 — WMU Annual Session, Greensboro
17-19 — State VBS Clinic, Wingate College
20 — Youth Night
22-23 — STONE MOUNTAIN PASTOR/DEACON SCHOOL
25 — STONE MOUNTAIN WMU ANNUAL SESSION
29-31 — Preaching-Worship Workshop, Raleigh

APRIL
Church Library Emphasis

2-3 — Praising '76, Ovens Auditorium, Charlotte
8 — Day Camp Conference, Brushy Mountain Association
11 — Cooperative Program Day
18 — EASTER
20-23 — Associational Leadership Workshop, Ridgecrest
23-24 — Youth Convention, Caswell

23-24 — Weekend R.A. Camp - Grades 4-12, Caraway
30-May 1 — Youth Convention, Ridgecrest
30-May 1 — Weekend R.A. Camp, Grades 1-3, Caraway
30-May 2 — Family Camping Weekend, Caraway

MAY
Hospital Emphasis

2-9 — Christian Home Week
6-8 — Youth Ministries Workshop, Caraway
7-8 — Family Life Conference, Greensboro
7-8 — BYW Retreat, Mundo Vista
9 — MOTHER'S DAY

9 — Mother's Day Offering for Needy Sick
17-20 — Senior Adult Conference, Caswell
21-23 — Mother-Daughter Camp, Mundo Vista

JUNE
VBS Month

5 — Children's Bible Drill, Fruitland
12-13 — BYW Convention, Virginia Beach
13-14 — WMU Annual Meeting, Norfolk
15-17 — Southern Baptist Convention, Norfolk
14-18 — G.A. Camp, Fruitland
14-18 — G.A. Camp, Mundo Vista
20 — FATHER'S DAY

20 — College Scholarship Offering
21-25 — Church Ministries and Training, Caswell
21-25 — G.A. Camp, Fruitland
25-26 — BYW Retreat, Mundo Vista
28-July 2 — Sunday School Bible Conference, Caswell

JULY

4 — INDEPENDENCE DAY
4 — Christian Citizenship Sunday
5-9 — Christian Study and Fellowship, Mars Hill
5-9 — World Missions Week, Caswell
5-9 — Children's Choir Camp, Fruitland
5-9 — Acteens Camp, Mundo Vista
6 — Sunday School Briefing Meeting, Raleigh

11 — Christian Literature Day
12-16 — Youth Conference, Caswell
12-16 — Acteens Camp, Mundo Vista
19-23 — Directors of Missions Conference
26 — Sunday School Briefing Meeting, Ridgecrest
26-30 — Youth Conference, Caswell
26-30 — G.A. Camp, Mundo Vista

AUGUST

2-6 — G.A. Camp, Mundo Vista
2-6 — Youth Conference, Caswell
9-13 — Vacation Week, Caswell
9-13 — G.A. Camp, Mundo Vista
12-14 — Retreat for Exceptional Persons, Caswell
13 — STATEWIDE YOUTH EVANGELISM NIGHT, Greensboro
16-20 — G.A. Camp, Mundo Vista
20-21 — WMU Associational Officers Workshop, Fruitland
27-28 — WMU Associational Officers Workshop, Mundo Vista
29 — On-to-College Day

SEPTEMBER
State Missions

6 — LABOR DAY
10-11 — Brotherhood Leadership, Caraway
10-11 — WMU Couples Retreat, Mundo Vista
13-15 — Multivention
19 — STATE MISSIONS DAY AND OFFERING
24-25 — STONE MOUNTAIN ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING
26-Oct. 2 — Sunday School Preparation Week

OCTOBER
Cooperative Program Month

1-2 — Pastor/Sunday School Directors Workshop, Caraway
6 — Cooperative Program Emphasis
8-10 — Deacons Retreat, Caraway
10 — Biblical Recorder Day
13 — Cooperative Program Emphasis
15-16 — Crusader R.A. Camp, Caraway
15-16 — Sunday School Age Group Workshop, Ridgecrest
15-16 — BYW Convention
18-20 — Senior Adult Retreat, Caraway
20 — Cooperative Program Emphasis
27 — Cooperative Program Emphasis

NOVEMBER
Children's Homes

5-6 — Statewide Chairmen of Deacons/Pastors Conference, Hickory
7-13 — R.A. Week
15-17 — Baptist State Convention, Fayetteville
19-20 — State Crusade R.A. Congress
21 — CHILDREN'S HOMES OFFERING
25 — THANKSGIVING
28-Dec. 4 — Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions

DECEMBER
Foreign Missions

5 — Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School
6 — "M" Night
25 — CHRISTMAS DAY
26 — Student Day at Christmas

TABLE A—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Baptist Home	C. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1880	1		x	9	12	16	440	75	515	0	0	50,000	200,000	3,000
Benham	J.A. Blackburn, Rt. 2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621	Wilkes	1917	1		x	14	8	5	222	47	269	1	0		41,800	
Center	Spencer Edmonds, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1886	2	x		8	5	12	256	32	288	1	1	23,500	70,000	3,454
Dehart	Hayden Shumate, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1879	1		x	1	0	0	179	59	238	0	0		25,000	213
Elk Spur	Charlie Richardson Sr., Hays 28635	Wilkes	1900	1			1		8	30	22	52					
Fairplains	Wm. J. Taylor, Rt. 5, Box 641-A, N. Wilkesboro 28695	Wilkes	1902	4	x		46	30	38	610	111	721	2	3	80,000	485,000	81,500
Haymeadow	Amos Combs, Rt. 1, Millers 28651	Wilkes	1905	1		x	24	21	7			359	2	0			15,021
Knobbs		Wilkes	1906	2		x	12	0	6	156	60	216	0	0		44,000	
Maple Grove	H.T. Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 322, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1932	2	x		3	2	6	210	50	260	0	0	22,000	155,000	12,956
Mount Pisgah	Ernes Blevins, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1879	1		x	2	1	4	140	23	163	0	1		25,000	
Mount Zion		Wilkes	1898	1	x		3	6	8	149	15	164	0	0		23,000	
Mountain Valley	Mace Johnson, Rt. 2, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1902	1		x	4	3	3	136	82	218	1	1		55,000	1,200
Mountain View	Smauel F. Putnam, Box 47, Hays 28635	Wilkes	1912	2	x		5	8	7	188	37	225	0	0	25,000	60,000	
New Light		Wilkes	1899	1		x	1	2	2	96	79	175	0	0		30,000	
Pine View	Albert Pruitt, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	Wilkes	1935	1	x		0	0	14	162	63	225	0	0		65,000	
Roaring Gap	E.R. Wiles, Rt. 1, Box 215, Thurmond 28683	Wilkes	1894	1		x	15	1	8	215	95	310	0	1		60,000	
Rock Springs	Major Caudill, McGrady 28649	Wilkes	1904	1		x	3	0	1	129	61	190	0	0			
Stony Ridge	Sankie Ebert Billings, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	Wilkes	1905	1		x	5	0	1	109	35	144				30,000	
Traphill	Earl Adams, Rt. 3, Wilkesboro 28697	Wilkes	1887	2		x	1	1	4	58	43	101				25,000	
Union	Julius Blevins, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651	Wilkes	1911	1	x		6	5	5	98	44	142	0	0		75,000	1,000
Walnut Grove		Wilkes	1902	1		x	7	3	2	71	100	171	0	0		10,000	700
Welcome Home	Burr Holcomb, 232 Min. Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642	Wilkes	1967	1		x	12	0	8			95				35,000	
TOTALS							182	108	165	3654	1133	5241	11	7	200,500	1,513,800	119,044

TABLE B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Cradle Roll enrollment (Birth to 2 years)	Preschool enrollment (Birth through 5 years)	Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrollment 12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrollment—Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrollment—Married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enollment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrollment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrollment	Homebound Units enrollment	General officers enrollment	Enrollment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Sunday School enrollment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrollment	Weekday Bible Study enrollment	Church V.B.S. enrollment	Mission V.B.S. enrollment	Total V.B.S. enrollment
Baptist Home	Gwyn Caudill, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	25	22	51	44	14	19	83	34	0	0	3	0	304	210	0	0	0	104	0	104
Benham	Rex Barker, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	19	43	33	4	33	61	21	0	0	8	0	222	117	1	35	0	87	0	87
Center	Jimmy Minton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	20	24	24	1	16	31	25	0	0	4	0	145	98	0	0	0	92	0	92
Dehart	Claude Handy, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	0	14	17	13	18	30	0	0	1	0	10	0	103	74	0	0	0	90	0	90
Elk Spur Fairplains	T. Leon Church, 155 Sparta Rd., N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	78	184	56	17	17	112	27	0	0	10	0	501	296	0	0	0	0	0	0
Haymeadow	Roy Myers, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	0	30	25	20	8	40	85	15	0	8	5	0	236	131	0	0	0	181	0	181
Knobbs	Roger S. Tilley, Rt. 2, Box 10TB, Elkin 28621	4	12	15	25	20	24	26	10	0	0	9	0	145	108	0	0	0	101	0	101
Maple Grove	J.T. McGlamery, Hays 28635	10	19	22	16	5	7	36	7	0	0	5	0	127	102	0	0	0	86	0	86
Mount Pisgah	Johnny Miles, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685	3	5	11	16	3	26	30	8	0	1	7	0	110	78	0	0	0	64	0	64
Mount Zion	Rev. Albert Byrd, Rt. 1, Box 267, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	22	13	13	11	9	18	18	0	0	2	0	106	83	0	0	0	50	0	50
Mountain Valley	Wayne Reavis, Rt. 6, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	7	23	15		28	34	30					133	94	1	10		56	0	56
Mountain View	Joe Caudill, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	0	10	24	28	4	2	47	29	0	0	3	0	144	76	0	0	0	77	0	77
New Light	Homer Shepherd, Rt. 1, Box 319, Roaring River 28669	0	10	21	12	11	0	44	8	0	0	2	0	108	67	0	0	0	46	0	46
Pine View	Bryce Sebastian, Rt. 1, Box 128, N. Wilkesboro 28659.	0	8	12	16	10	12	45	12	2	0	0	0	117	100	0	0	0	47	0	47
Roaring Gap	David Lyon, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685	4	9	28	20	14	14	38	34	0	0	4	0	165	147	60	53	0	110	0	110
Rock Springs	Wallace Royster, McGrady 28649	0	13	9	10	0	18	20	12	0	0	4	0	86	52						
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	10	10	7	4	14	16	15					76	62				49	0	49
Traphill	Lawrence Holbrook, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621	0	3	4	7	0	6	11	2			2		35	17	1	10		36	0	36
Union	Bobby Bowlin, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651	12	12	12	12	5	14	30	20	0	0	9	0	126	78		45		55	0	55
Walnut Grove	Paul Blevins, Rt. 5, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	6	12	16	5	6	13	7					65	43				55	0	55
Welcome Home	Larry Sparks, Rt. 2, Box 169-C, Elkin 28621	0	8	12	12	2	10	20	1					65	55				79	0	79
TOTALS		58	357	572	415	156	345	800	335	3	9	87	0	3119	2088	63	153	0	1465	0	1465

TABLE C—TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrollment (5 years and under—not in school)	Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrollment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrollment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrollment (60 and over)	General officers enrollment	Enrollment of mission(s) of church	Total Training Union ongoing enrollment	Average weekly Church Training attendance	New Member Registration			Church Leader Training Registration	Short Term Member Training Project Registration
												Children	Youth	Adult		
Baptist Home	Danny Church, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	22	29	20	6	13	0	2	0	90	80	0	0	0	0	0
Center	Mrs. Linda S. Minton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	6	8	7	4	4	5	0	36	30	2	1	0	0	0
Mountain Valley	Maurice Kilby, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	4	4	0	4	11	3	4	0	30	20	0	0	0	0	0
Mountain View	Vernon Woodruff, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	6	14	6	0	12	6	2	0	46	22	0	0	0	0	21
New Light	Michael Prevette, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	0	3	9	7	2	2	0	21	15	0	0	0	0	0
Roaring Gap	Michael Wiles, Rt. 1, Box 214, Thurmond 28683	6	13	3	18	24	14	2	0	80	65	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		40	66	40	44	71	29	17	0	303	232	2	1	0	0	21

TABLE D—CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Preschool enrollment (4-5 years)	Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrollment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrollment	Vocal ensemble enrollment	Instrumental ensembles enrollment	General music leaders enrollment	Enrollment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrollment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrollment
Baptist Home	Wayne Hayes, Rt. 6, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	2	0	28	15	0
Benham	Mrs. J.A. Blackburn, Rt. 2, Box 91-B, Elkin 28621	0	16	14	33	0	3	2	0	0	67	45	0
Center	Mrs. Raymond Harper, McGrady 28649	0	0	17	24	0	0	3	3	0	46	30	0
Dehart	Don Rhoades, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Spur	Quincy Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668												
Fairplains	Gary Keener, P.O. Box 1301 N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	8	8	38	0	16	0	0	0	70	52	0
Haymeadow	Mrs. Doretha Blevins, Rt. 1, Hays 28635												
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, Rt. 2, Box 189-A, Elkin 28621	4	11	14	36	0	0	0	4	0	69	60	0
Maple Grove	I.C. Cleary Jr., P.O. Box 29, Hays 28635	2	6	5	22	0	0	0	4	0	39	30	18
Mount Pisgah	Mrs. Dorothy Bell, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	2	1	5	12	3	0	2	2	0	27	18	0
Mount Zion	Lee Sale, Rt. 1, Box 216, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	5	7	1	0	0	0	2	0	15	15	0
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659		6	6	25						35	25	
Mountain View	Paul W. Gregory, Hays 28635	0	6	18	20	0	0	0	2	0	46	18	0
New Light	Mrs. R.V. Garris, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	3	4	19	0	0	0	1	0	27	27	0
Pine View	Miss Patsy Brown, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	6	0	15	1	1	0	23	20	0
Roaring Gap	Roy Baker, Rt. 1, Box 83, Traphill 28685	10	15	5	49	0	0	0	6	0	85	75	0
Rock Springs	William Elledge, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649												
Stony Ridge	Olin Gentry, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	6	15	20						41	35	
Traphill	Mrs. Lawrence Holbrook, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621												
Union	Virgil Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Wilbar 28696	0	0	12	25						37	30	0
Walnut Grove Welcome Home													
TOTALS		18	83	140	356	3	34	8	27	0	655	495	18

TABLE E—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Number of Organizations							Enrollment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under —not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU ongoing enrollment
Baptist Home	Mrs. Frank Sitton, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	2	1	1	1	1	0	6	19	14	12	9	51	9	0	114
Benham	Mrs. Wayne Pardue, Rt. 2, Box 112, Elkin 28621	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	9	6	0	12	6	0	33
Center	Mrs. Jean Edmonds, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	5	3	8	0	10	5	0	31
Fairplains	Mrs. Julius Barnett, Rt. 6, Box 19, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	0	2	7	12	5	6	3	0	25	4	7	50
Knobbs	Mrs. Dorothy Harris, Rt. 2, Elkin 28621	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	8	0	0	8	4	0	20
Maple Grove	Mrs. C.C. Blevins, Rt. 5, Box 178, N. Wilkesboro 28659	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	4	3	4	0	13	3	0	27
Mountain View	Mrs. Carroll Dancy, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	13	7	0	16	5	0	41
New Light	Mrs. R.V. Garris, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	3	0	9
Pine View	Mrs. Linda Edminston, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	8	3	0	15
Welcome Home	Mrs. Judy Hall, Rt. 1, Box 36-A, State Road 28676	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	6
Mount Zion		0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	10
TOTALS		6	8	7	2	10	7	40	37	61	45	15	149	42	7	356

TABLE F—BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA leader and committee	Baptist Men enrollment (18-59 years or H.S. graduation to retirement)	Other Baptist men groups	Brotherhood director and other Brotherhood General Officers	Enrollment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrollment	Other boys involved in mission activities	Miscellaneous Baptist men
Baptist Home	Steve Call, Rt. 6, Box 303, N. Wilkesboro 28659	18	15	2	12	0	1	0	48	0	0
Benham	James C. Byrd, Rt. 2, Box 150, Elkin 28621	5	4	0	12	0	1	0	22	0	0
Fairplains	Roy Absher, Rt. 6, Box 518, N. Wilkesboro 28659	6	0	2	48	24	5	0	85	0	0
Maple Grove	Joel Blevins, Rt. 2, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	5	15	0	1	0	21	0	0
Mount Zion		4	5	2	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
Pine View		0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	0	0
Welcome Home	Robert Hall, Rt. 1, Box 36-A, State Road 28676	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	6	0	0
TOTALS		33	24	24	93	24	8	0	206	0	0

TABLE G—TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Budget promotion or emphasis used during the year							Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
		Number of tithers	Simplified	Stewardship Revival	Committed to Tithe	Forward Program	Alt. Forward Program	None												
Baptist Home	R.S. Absher, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	65						x	14	2	47,756	0	47,756	0	14,830	0	1,000	1,924	15,816	33,570
Benham	Larry Gentry, Rt. 2, Box 110-C, Elkin 28621	24					x		10	1.2	27,929	0	27,929	0	10,416	0	0	651	12,203	23,275
Center	S.B. Absher, Rt. 6, Box 133-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659	25						x	7	.5	24,591	0	24,591	0	8,589	0	1,804	805	10,696	21,894
Dehart	Rachel Rhoades, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	2						x			4,398	0	4,398	0	785	1,307	0	173	1,281	3,556
Elk Spur Fairplains	Everette Felts, Rt. 6, Box 478, N. Wilkesboro 28659	66	x						1	1	60,000	0	60,000	88,500	25,000	100,000	13,500	1,800	25,000	165,300
Haymeadow	Mrs. Sue Myers, Rt. 5, Box 639, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0						x			15,426	0	15,426	0	5,505	0	2,422	500	4,934	13,361
Knobbs	Mrs. Frances Simmons, Rt. 2, Box 208, Elkin 28621	0						x	3	0	4,821	300	5,121	0	2,450	0	0	408	1,533	4,391
Maple Grove	Jerry D. Carter, P.O. Box 32, Hays 28635	18						x	1	1.5	18,970	122	19,093	0	6,923	1,170	2,924	435	5,065	16,518
Mount Pisgah	Miss Alice Billings, Rt. 1, Box 205, Traphill 28685	3						x			6,767	679	7,446	0	3,661	0	0	305	1,923	5,889
Mount Zion	Mrs. Steve Shumate, Rt. 6, Box 307-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659							x			12,655	256	12,911	0	7,744	1,967	3,775	203	1,662	15,351
Mountain Valley	Sylvan Kilby, Rt. 1, Millers Creek 28651	0	x						.1	.1	10,528	0	10,528	0	6,753	0	1,367	452	1,839	10,477
Mountain View	Mrs. Carroll Dancy, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	14						x	.2	.2	17,056	686	17,742	0	7,920	0	0	637	5,660	14,217
New Light	Clifton Prevette, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669								.04	.03	5,603	0	5,603	0	2,960	0	0	210	1,416	4,585
Pine View	Mrs. Jeanette Bumgarner, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659							x	0	0	16,868	2,270	19,138	0	8,330	19,289	0	511	4,241	32,371
Roaring Gap	Mrs. Raymond DeJournette, Rt. 1, Box 84, Traphill 28685	22						x	0	0	19,972	0	19,972	0	6,125	3,754	0	450	2,881	13,220
Rock Springs	Sylvia Haynes, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	3									10,785	0	10,785	0	2,140	472	6,705	166	1,012	10,889
Stony Ridge	Mrs. Fred Cothren, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685										1,963	0	1,963	0	1,042	0	0	397	3,115	4,554
Traphill	Mrs. R.C. Pruitt, Traphill 28685							x			4,430	0	4,430	0	2,055	0	0	210	2,783	5,048
Union	Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Wilbar 28696	4						x			9,863	0	9,863	3,000	4,597	3,714	1,000	180	2,683	12,174
Walnut Grove	Mrs. Bill Blevins, Rt. 1, Box 271, N. Wilkesboro 28659							x			5,322	64	5,386	1,400	1,040	3,300	700	221	1,107	6,368
Welcome Home	Mrs. Glenda Holcomb, 232 Min. Springs Dr., Jonesville 28642	20																		
TOTALS		266									325,703	4,377	330,082	92,900	128,865	134,973	35,197	10,633	106,850	416,608

TABLE H—MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS					OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES									
		Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Baptist Home	Mrs. Sybil Gambill, Rt. 6, Box 353, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	6,718	852	55	212	393	10	200	200	0	1000	2,922	9,640
Benham	Mrs. James C. Byrd, Rt. 2, Box 150, Elkin 28621	0	0	0	2,215	300	32	32	245	0	0	11	24	245	889	3,104
Center	Mrs. Barbara Barnes, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	1,362	682	84	289	500	39	105	53	73	236	3,423	4,785
Dehart	Edd Rhoades, Rt. 1, Hays 28635				53						94	100			307	307
Elk Spur	Cora Lee Royall, Box 54, Roaring Gap 28668															
Fairplains	Mrs. Lynn Wiles, Rt. 6, Box 496, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	240	500	50	300	1600	30	100	100	0	800	3,480	3,720
Haymeadow	Mr. Barney Harrold, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	300					112	60	100	350	922	922
Knobbs	Roger Tilley, Rt. 2, Box 107-B, Elkin 28621	0	0	0	61	95	0	0	168	0	62	75	62	32	494	494
Maple Grove	Mrs. Dixie Wentzel, Rt. 1, Box 312, Hays 28635	0	0	0	100	308	35	129	546	0	76	68	46	325	1,533	1,633
Mount Pisgah	L.G. Billings, Rt. 1, Box 158, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	89	120					100	25	0	0	245	334
Mount Zion	Mrs. Everette Shumate, Rt. 6, Box 251-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	939	939							29	0	69	0	98	1,037
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, Rt. 6, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro	0	0	0	120	120	26		77		40	93	0	0	356	476
Mountain Valley	Mrs. Wayne Reavis, Rt. 6, Box 493, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	350	380	41	284	837	30	106	104	30	78	1,890	2,240
Mountain View	Eldon Woodruff, Hays 28635	0	0	0	133	131	18	0	27	0	31	24	16	0	246	379
New Light	Mrs. Homer Shepherd, Rt. 1, Box 319, Roaring River 28669	0	44	44	0	240	0	0	300	0	306	281	103	28	1,258	1,302
Pine View	Mr. Gilmer Rhoades, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	25	230	0	0	1200	0	390	500	445	1350	4,115	4,140
Roaring Gap	Raymond DeJournette, Rt. 1, Box 84, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	0	94					25	25				144
Rock Springs	Fay Royster, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	52	194					70	0	57	0	320	372
Stony Ridge	Mr. Roger Brooks, Rt. 1, Box 300-E, Roaring River 28669	0	0	0	30	100	10	10	35	10	25	40	15	111	356	386
Traphill	Mrs. Roy Billings, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	16	120					25	0	25	0	170	186
Union	Mrs. Elaine Bumgarner, Rt. 2, Wilbar 28696	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	101	0	624	85	91	1008	1,984	1,984
Walnut Grove	Mr. R.J. Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 238, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Welcome Home	Mrs. Ola Spicer, Rt. 1, Box 1-A, Traphill 28685															
TOTALS			983	983	11,564	4841	351	1256	6029	119	2520	1844	1156	5563	25,008	37,589

TABLE I—SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	No. church-type missions started during the year	No. church-type missions currently operating	No. other-type missions started during the year	No. other-type missions currently operating	Number of church vocations volunteers	Kindergarten enrollment	Day care enrollment	Bus Attendance	Doctrinal Emphasis Week enrollment	DOES CHURCH HAVE, OBSERVE, PLAN, USE, ETC.? Major new bldg. or remodeling project within the year	Library	Recreation staff (comm.)	Ch: the Sunday night place	Pastor educ. assistance	Baptist Men's Day	Lay Renewal Weekend	Broadcast on Radio or Television	Christian Educ. Comm.	Recreation or Act. Bld.	Lay Evangelism School	Day Camp	Day Camp Curriculum Prepared by BSSB	Christian Citizenship Sun.	Christian Home Week	State paper in budget
Baptist Home	Gwyn Caudill, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes
Benham	Jimmy Burcham, Rt. 2, Box 21-A, Elkin 28621	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
Center	S.B. Absher, Rt. 6, Box 133-A, N. Wilkesboro 28659.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Dehart	L.O. Handy, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Elk Spur Fairplains	Wayne Elledge, Rt. 5, Box 724, N. Wilkesboro 28659.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	130	0	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
Haymeadow	Arthur Harrold, Rt. 1, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Knobbs	J. Albert Spicer, Rt. 2, Box 189-A, Elkin 28621	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Maple Grove	Bobby Blevins, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mount Pisgah	L.G. Billings, Rt. 1, Box 158, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mount Zion	Spencer Wyatt, B. 79, Sparta Rd., N. Wilkes. 28659	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mountain Valley	Trelia Kilby, Rt. 1, N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Mountain View	Bruce Dearman, 14 Jones Ave., N. Wilkesboro 28659	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no
New Light	Clifton Prevette, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Pine View	J.P. Adams, Rt. 1, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Roaring Gap	Dewey Nickolson, Rt. 1, Box 218, Thurmond 28683	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Rock Springs	Montie Reeves, McGrady 28649	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Stony Ridge	Jerry Brooks, Rt. 1, Roaring River 28669	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Traphill	Fred Brown, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Union	Frank Huffman, Rt. 1, Wilbar 28696	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Walnut Grove	Ervin Pruitt, Rt. 1, Box 112, Hays 28635	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Welcome Home	David Nelson, Rt. 1, Traphill 28685	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no

Blackwell Printing Company
Elkin, North Carolina 2862